

Listing of Events by Month

Jan 1-Feb 21

David City, Butler County

John Roush: Meditations from Missouri

Bone Creek Museum of Agrarian Art Roush's nationally awarded pastel and oil paintings are on display. Free Amanda Mobley (402) 367-4488 www.bonecreek.org

Jan 1-June 5

Hastings, Adams County

Fly Me to the Moon

Lied Super Screen Theatre Enjoy the excitement of space exploration and experience one of mankind's most memorable moments - man's first landing on the moon. \$5.50-\$7.50 (800) 508-4629 www.hastingsmuseum.org

Jan 1-Mar 13

Omaha, Douglas County

Carnaval Exhibit

El Museo Latino, 4701 S. 25th St A highlight of the different countries and communities where Carnival is celebrated. \$3.50-\$5 Magdalena Garcia (402) 731-1137 www.elmuseolatino.org

Jan-Oct 2010

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Weapons Throughout Time

University of NE State Museum - Morrill Hall (402) 472-3779 www.museum.unl.edu

Jan 2

Ponca, Dixon County

Annual Christmas Bird Count at Ponca State Park

88090 Spur 26 E. Amateur and expert birdwatchers are invited to attend this annual event. Noon chili feed. 7am-4pm, Park permit required Jennifer Wolff (402) 755-2284 www.outdoornebraska.org

Jan 7

Beatrice, Gage County

Acts of God

Community Players Theatre, 412 Ella St Play reading production which follows high school students after a tornado strikes their town. 7pm, \$5 Jamie Ulmer (402) 228-1801 www.beatricecommunityplayers.com

Jan 7

Holdrege, Phelps County

Nearly Neil: A Tribute to the Music of Neil Diamond

The Tassel Performing Arts Center, 1324 Tilden St Bobby Bruce is an electrifying performer who has spent the past 11 years thrilling thousands of fans with his tribute. 7:30pm, \$10-\$25 Rachel Morgan (308) 995-2717 www.thetassel.org

Jan 8-10

Grand Island, Hall County

Central Nebraska RV Show

Heartland Events Center, 700 E. Stolley Park Rd Fri-Sat, noon-8pm; Sun, noon-5pm, \$3 adults Tony Staab (308) 384-2040 www.heartlandeventscenter.com

Jan 8-10

Hastings, Adams County

Home Show

Adams County Fairgrounds, 947 S. Baltimore Ave Vendors of all kinds. Teresa Hampton (402) 461-0449

Jan 8-Apr 25

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Migrations: New Directions in Native American Art

Sheldon Museum of Art, UNL Campus - 12th & R Sts Includes work from 6 Native American artists. Open Tue-Sun, Free Tom White (402) 472-2461 www.sheldonartgallery.org

Jan 9

Omaha, Douglas County

Haydn's Fanfare & Farewell

UNO Strauss Performing Arts Center, 6001 Dodge St Hail Haydn at this concert that boasts some of his best works. 7pm, \$30 (402) 342-3560 www.omahasymphony.org

Jan 9

Omaha, Douglas County

Cantus

Holland Performing Arts Center, 1200 Douglas St Cantus' adventurous repertoire spans many periods and genres. 8pm (402) 345-0606 www.omahaperformingarts.org

Jan 9-10

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Cabin Fever Antique Show

Lancaster Event Center, 84th & Havelock Ave Sat, 9am-5pm; Sun, 10am-4pm, \$3.50 Russ Blank (402) 432-1451 www.lancastereventcenter.com

Jan 9-Apr 18

Omaha, Douglas County

The Human Touch: Selections from the RBC Wealth Management Art Collection

Joslyn Art Museum, 2200 Dodge St An exhibition of contemporary artworks devoted to the human figure. Tue-Sat, 10am-4pm; Sun, noon-4pm, \$4-\$7, free admission on Sat, 10am-noon (402) 342-3300 www.joslyn.org

Jan 12-17

Omaha, Douglas County

Little House on the Prairie the Musical

Orpheum Theater, 4095 S. 16th St Enjoy this uplifting musical starring Melissa Gilbert as Ma Ingalls. (402) 345-0606 www.omahaperformingarts.org

Jan 15

Omaha, Douglas County

Backstage Pass to the Hit Songwriters

Holland Performing Arts Center, 1200 Douglas St An intimate set from two songwriters to the stars. Hear favorites by Faith Hill, the Dixie Chicks and more. 8pm, \$25-\$30 (402) 345-0606 www.omahaperformingarts.org

Jan 15-16

Omaha, Douglas County

Scheherazade

Holland Performing Arts Center, 1200 Douglas St Be transported to the Middle East as the symphony shares the fabled tale of Arabian Nights 8pm, \$15-\$75 (402) 342-3560 www.omahasymphony.org

Jan 15-Feb 7

Grand Island, Hall County

Quilt Exhibit and Contest

Stuhr Museum of the Prairie Pioneer, 3133 W. US Hwy 34 Quilts from area and regional quilters. Mon-Sat, 9am-5pm; Sun, noon-5pm, \$4-\$6 Kari Stofer (308) 385-5316 www.stuhrmuseum.org

Jan 15-May 9

Omaha, Douglas County

Spring Flower Show

Lauritzen Gardens, Omaha's Botanical Center, 100 Bancroft St Enjoy the beauty of spring flowers in winter during this stunning indoor floral display. Daily, 9am-5pm, \$3-\$7 Maureen Thomsen (402) 346-4002 www.lauritzengardens.org

Jan 16

Grand Island, Hall County

Blake Shelton in Concert

Heartland Events Center, 700 E. Stolley Park Rd 8pm, \$24-\$55 (308) 382-4515 www.heartlandeventscenter.com

Jan 16-17

Ogallala, Keith County

Gun Show

Keith County Fairgrounds Ginny Volberding (308) 284-6952

Jan 16-17

Omaha, Douglas County

River City Mixed Chorus Presents: I Sing the Body Electric

Creighton University, Lied Education Center for the Arts, 2500 California Plz A concert relating to body image. Sat, 7pm; Sun, 4pm, \$10-\$20 (402) 341-7464 www.rcmc.org

Jan 17

Omaha, Douglas County

Driving Forces

Holland Performing Arts Center, 1200 Douglas St Maestro Thomas Wilkins is your tour guide on a musical exploration of motivation. 2pm, \$7-\$9.75 (402) 342-3560 www.omahasymphony.org

Jan 17

Wood River, Hall County

Comedienne Juli Burney

Wood River Rural High School Performing Arts Theater Hear multiple award winning teach, humorist, author and improvisational comedienne Juli Burney. 2:30pm, Free Sara Arnett (308) 583-2262 wrcommunityfoundation.com

Jan 17, 24, 31 & Feb 7

Beatrice, Gage County

All Aboard - Train Film Festival

Homestead National Monument of America, 8523 W. NE Hwy 4 Enjoy a variety of activities and films focusing on the history of trains. 2pm on Jan 17, 24, 31 and Feb 7, Free (402) 223-3514 www.nps.gov/home

Jan 22-24

Grand Island, Hall County

Central Nebraska Home & Builders Show

Heartland Event Center, 700 E. Stolley Park Rd Fri, 5-9pm; Sat, 10am-7pm; Sun, noon-5pm, \$5 William Jackson (712) 336-0040 www.jacksonexpogroup.com

Jan 22-24

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Sesame Street Live

Pershing Center, 226 Centennial Mall S. Fun-filled showed with your favorite Sesame Street characters. Derek Andersen (402) 441-8744 www.pershingcenter.com

Jan 22-Feb 7

Bellevue, Sarpy County

Noises Off

Bellevue Little Theatre, 203 W. Mission Ave Theatrical spin on a clever play within a play. Fri-Sat, 8pm; Sun, 2pm, \$7.50-\$15 Clara Arnsdorff (402) 291-3809 www.bellevuelittletheatre.com

Jan 23

Omaha, Douglas County

Pilobolus Dance Theater

Orpheum Theater, 409 S. 16th St There's nothing like the witty visual poetry of Pilobolus! 8pm (402) 345-0606 www.omahaperformingarts.org

Jan 23

Wisner, Cuming County

Wisner Area Farm & Home Show

City auditorium Demonstrations, speakers, displays and concessions. 8am-1pm, Free Peggy Liermann (402) 529-3338 www.wisnerareachamberofcommerce.com

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Jan 23-24

Omaha, Douglas County

Bugs Bunny on Broadway

Holland Performing Arts Center, 1200 Douglas St
Join us for a fun fusion of Looney Tunes cartoons and live orchestra music. Sat, 8pm; Sun, 2pm, \$10-\$65 (402) 342-3560 www.omahasymphony.org

Jan 23-May 9

Ashland, Saunders County

Leonardo da Vinci: Machines in Motion

Strategic Air & Space Museum, 28210 W. Park Hwy
Discover the awesome inventions that sprang forth from Leonardo da Vinci's thoughts. Daily, 9am-5pm (402) 944-3100 www.sasmuseum.com

Jan 24-Mar 28

Brownville, Nemaha County

Selections: Brownville Fine Arts Association Collection

School House Art Gallery & Nature Center Sat-Sun, 10am-4pm & by appt., Free Mary Ann Chaney (402) 825-3963 www.brownville-ne.com

Jan 26-Apr 18

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Esphyr Slobodkina: Rediscovering a Pioneer of American Abstraction

Sheldon Museum of Art, UNL Campus - 12th & R Sts A retrospective of illustrator Esphyr Slobodkina's work. Open Tue-Sun, Free Tom White (402) 472-2461 www.sheldonartgallery.org

Jan 29

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Second City

Lied Center for Performing Arts, 301 N. 12th St
Come see the next generation of comedy stars. Note: contains adult content. 7:30pm (402) 472-4700 www.liedcenter.org

Jan 29

Omaha, Douglas County

ScrapArts Music

Holland Performing Arts Center, 1200 Douglas St
Metal. Muscle. Music. Movement! ScrapArts Music is a witty knock-out for the whole family that begins where STOMP and Blue Man Group leave off. 8pm (402) 345-0606 www.omahaperformingarts.org

Jan 29-30

Lincoln, Lancaster County

PRCA Championship Rodeo

Pershing Center, 226 Centennial Mall S. The best rodeo athletes from the region compete. 7:30pm
Derek Andersen (402) 441-8744 www.pershingcenter.com

Jan 29-Apr 25

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Equus Exquisitus: Three Romances

Sheldon Museum of Art, UNL Campus - 12th & R Sts An exhibition of horse objects from the Sheldon's remarkable collection of sculpture and 2-dimensional holdings. Open Tue-Sun, Free Tom White (402) 472-2461 www.sheldonartgallery.org

Jan 30

Ainsworth, Brown County

Annual Polar Bear Dip in Meadville

NE Hwy 7 N. of Ainsworth to Meadville The acclaimed annual dip in the Niobrara River. Bonfires, dance, ATV races and more. Mike Gering (402) 497-2440

Jan 30

Kearney, Buffalo County

Church Basement Ladies

Merryman Performing Arts Center, 225 W. 22nd St
This smash-hit musical comedy delighted audiences in 2006 and will be heavenly fun for all in 2010. 7pm, \$21-\$46 (308) 698-8297

Jan 30

Milligan, Fillmore County

5th Annual Chilypiad

Milligan Auditorium, 6th & Main Sts Chili chefs give it their all. Free Scott Oliva (402) 629-4446 www.visitfillmorecounty.org

Jan 30

Omaha, Douglas County

ABBA Mania

Holland Performing Arts Center, 1200 Douglas St
Take a chance on this delightful celebration of ABBA. 8pm, \$15-\$70 (402) 342-3560 www.omahasymphony.org

Jan 30-31

Norfolk, Madison County

Tractors on the Mall

Sunset Plaza of Norfolk, 1700 Market Ln Display of John Deere tractors and farm equipment. Sat, 10am-6pm; Sun, noon-5pm, Free Gene Lorang (402) 640-0921

Jan 30-31

Omaha, Douglas County

Cathedral Flower Festival

St. Cecilia Cathedral, 701 N. 40th St Phenomenal flower displays by Omaha's finest floral designers. Sat, 10am-4pm & 7-9pm; Sun, 1-4pm, Donation Kathy White (402) 551-4888 www.stceciliacathedral.org

Jan 1-31

Grand Island, Hall County

New Beginnings

Prairie Winds Art Center, 112 W. 3rd St Welcome in the New Year with new works in a unique format. Free (308) 381-4001 www.prairiewindsart.com

Jan 31

Geneva, Fillmore County

Geneva Arts Council Presents: Double D Wranglers

City auditorium, 162 N. 9th St Country music and humor. 2pm Maureen Domeier (402) 759-4632 www.visitfillmorecounty.org

Jan 31

Omaha, Douglas County

Tu B'shevat

Lauritzen Gardens, 100 Bancroft St A family event marking the beginning of a "New Year for Trees" with nature activities in the garden. \$3-\$6 Maureen Thomsen (402) 346-4002 www.lauritzengardens.org

Feb

Grand Island, Hall County

American Red Cross Classic Chili Cook-Off

Fonner Park More than 40 types of chili to sample. 11:30am-1:30pm, \$3-\$7 Angi Schulte (308) 382-3790 www.cpredcross.org

Feb

Milligan, Fillmore County

Annual Nebraska Wines Festival

City auditorium, 6th & Main Sts Enjoy wine and products from Nebraska wineries along with great music and food. Scott Oliva (402) 629-4446 www.visitfillmorecounty.org

Feb 1-28

Grand Island, Hall County

Regional Photography Show

Prairie Winds Art Center, 112 W. 3rd St Photographers from a multi-state area compete for more than \$800 worth of awards. Reception Feb 5, 5:30-8:30pm, Free (308) 381-4001 www.prairiewindsart.com

Feb 3-Oct 5

Hastings, Adams County

Hurricane on the Bayou

Lied Super Screen Theatre Take a breathtaking tour of one of the most vibrant places in America. \$5.50-\$7.50 (800) 508-4629 www.hastingsmuseum.org

Feb 5

Lincoln, Lancaster County

The Hobbit

Lied Center for Performing Arts, 301 N. 12th St
Travel to the land of elves, trolls and wizards in this giant theatrical puppet production. 7pm (402) 472-4700 www.liedcenter.org

Feb 5-6

Grand Island, Hall County

Monster Truck Winter Nationals

Heartland Events Center, 700 E. Stolley Park Rd A safe, exciting and enjoyable family show. 7:30pm, \$10-\$20 Ed Beckley (940) 683-4742 www.checkeredflagproductions.com

Feb 5-6

Omaha, Douglas County

The Music of Mozart

Holland Performing Arts Center, 1200 Douglas St
Spend the evening with a true master whose work resonates in the human heart like no other. 8pm, \$15-\$75 (402) 342-3560 www.omahasymphony.org

Feb 6

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Dinosaurs and Disasters

University of Nebraska State Museum, Morrill Hall, 14th & Vine Sts A fun day of science with learning stations, games, activities and demonstrations. Bring a rock or fossil for identification. 9:30am-4:30pm, \$5 adults, \$3 children, \$10 family Kathy French (402) 472-3779 www.museum.unl.edu

Feb 6

Tilden, Madison County

3rd Annual Chili Cook-Off

Legion Club, 207 E. 2nd St 5-7pm, Donation Vicki Moore (402) 368-2217

Feb 6

Unadilla, Otoe County

Groundhog Day Celebration

Main St and school Fun festivities include soup contest, parade, historical speakers, craft fair, polka band and more. Free Bob Brandt (402) 828-3210 www.unadillanebraska.com

Feb 6-7

Grand Island, Hall County

It's Quilting Time

Stuhr Museum, 3133 W. US Hwy 34 Featuring period and moder quilts, presentations, exhibits, merchant mall and more. Sat, 9am-5pm; Sun, noon-5pm, \$6-\$8 Martha Paulsen (308) 385-5316 www.stuhrmuseum.org

Feb 6-7

Tilden, Madison County

19th Annual Gun Show

City auditorium, 104 W. 2nd St Sat, 9am-6pm; Sun, 9am-4pm, \$3 Don Carter (402) 368-5546

Feb 7

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Lincoln Organ Showcase: Ahreum Han

First Presbyterian Church, 840 S. 17th St Featuring Ahreum Han, one of the young and fast-rising stars of the organ world. 3pm, \$8-\$15 Brian Pfohlner (402) 477-6037 www.firstpresbyterianlincoln.org

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Feb 7

Merriman, Cherry County

Cowboy Poetry and Music Jam at Bowring Ranch SHP

Arthur Bowring Sandhill Ranch State Historical Park, NE Hwy 61, 1 1/2 mi. N., 2 mi. E. Performances by cowboy and cowgirl poets, musicians and live entertainment. Evening potluck meal. 2-5pm Diane Burress (308) 684-3428 www.outdoornebraska.org

Feb 8

Kearney, Buffalo County

Wedding Singer

Merryman Performing Arts Center, 225 W. 22nd St The new energetic full Broadway musical is based on the popular film about a rock-star wannabe, Robbie Heart. 7pm, \$21-\$46 (308) 698-8297

Feb 9-10

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Stomp

Lied Center for Performing Arts, 301 N. 12th St The International percussions sensation is making its return with new surprises. 7:30pm (402) 472-4700 www.liedcenter.org

Feb 11-21

Omaha, Douglas County

The Rainforest

The Rose Theater, 2001 Farnam St Experience the awe-inspiring Amazon Rainforest through a fascinating new production by the Omaha Theater Ballet. Thu-Fri, 7pm; Sat, 2 & 7pm; Sun, 2pm, \$16 (402) 345-4849 www.rosetheater.org

Feb 12

Omaha, Douglas County

Alison Brown Quartet

Holland Performing Arts Center, 1200 Douglas St This quartet of newgrass liminaries creates an exquisite blend of Celtic, folk and jazz. 8pm, \$25-\$30 (402) 345-0606 www.omahaperformingarts.org

Feb 12-14

Omaha, Douglas County

Chicago The Musical

Orpheum Theater, 409 S. 16th St A universal tale of fame, fortune and all that jazz. Tickets start at \$20.50 (402) 345-0606 www.omahaperformingarts.org

Feb 12-14

Omaha, Douglas County

John Tesh

Holland Performing Arts Center, 1200 Douglas St Treat your sweetheart to a concert full of passion and personality. Fri-Sat, 8pm; Sun, 2pm, \$15-\$80 (402) 342-3560 www.omahasymphony.org

Feb 12-15

Gering, Scotts Bluff County

Great Backyard Bird Count

Scotts Bluff National Monument Become a bird watcher as groups go off trail inside the park to count birds. Valerie Newman (308) 436-9700 www.nps.gov/scbl

Feb 12-21

North Platte, Lincoln County

Gypsy

Neville Center for the Performing Arts, Fifth & Dewey Sts Enjoy this classic musical. (308) 532-8559 www.northplattecommunityplayhouse.org

Feb 12-28

Beatrice, Gage County

Beauty and the Beast

Community Players Theatre, 412 Ella St This Disney musical favorite comes to life on stage. Fri-Sat, 7:30pm; Sun, 2pm, \$8-\$16 Jamie Ulmer (402) 228-1801 www.beatricecommunityplayers.com

Feb 13

David City, Butler County

Toasted Ponies

Thorpe Opera House, 461 1/2 D St A unique blend of bluegrass, acoustic music and original songs. 7pm, \$5-\$8 Anna Nolan (402) 367-3709

Feb 13

Grand Island, Hall County

Prairie Princess Party

Stuhr Museum of the Prairie Pioneer, 3133 W. Hwy 34 Dancing demonstrations, a magical tea room, photos with real princesses and lots more frilly fun. 1-3pm, \$6-\$8 Martha Paulsen (308) 385-5316 www.stuhrmuseum.org

Feb 13

Wood River, Hall County

Cabaret Theater: Take Five

Wood River Rural High School Performing Arts Theater Celebrating the music of the 40s, love songs, Broadway and contemporary pop music. 7pm, Free Sara Arnett (308) 583-2262 wrcommunityfoundation.com/celebratewr.htm

Feb 13-14

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Petar Jankovic

Lied Center for Performing Arts, 301 N. 12th St This classical guitarist connects with audiences wherever he plays. 7:30pm (402) 472-4700 www.liedcenter.org

Feb 14

Omaha, Douglas County

An Evening with Lucie Arnaz

Holland Performing Arts Center, 1200 Douglas St The beloved Lucie Arnaz presents a smoky selection of Broadway, pop and Latin hits. 7pm, \$25-\$30 (402) 345-0606 www.omahaperformingarts.org

Mid-Feb thru mid-Apr

Grand Island, Hall County

Sandhill Crane Spring Migration

Platte River Valley Tours available throughout the 6-week migration of the ducks, geese and Sandhill Cranes. (800) 658-3178 www.nebraskaflyway.com

Feb 17

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Gaelic Storm

Lied Center for Performing Arts, 301 N. 12th St Join us to see one of the premier touring acts in the Celtic/World genre. 7:30pm (402) 472-4700 www.lincoln.ne.gov

Feb 18-21

Omaha, Douglas County

Omaha Home & Garden Expo

Qwest Center, 455 N. 10th St A showcase of everything for the home, inside and out. Thurs, 5-10pm; Fri-Sat, 11am-9pm; Sun, 11am-5pm, \$3.50-\$7 Mike Mancuso (402) 346-8003 www.showofficeonline.com

Feb 19

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Abendmusik: Lincoln, Brett Valliant

First Plymouth Church, 2000 D St Enjoy this organ pops concert. 7pm, \$8-\$15 Josh Norris (402) 476-9933 www.abendmusik.org

Feb 19-20

Seward, Seward County

Seward's 21st Annual Spring Showcase

Fairgrounds, Ag Pavillion More than 55 exhibitors from the surrounding area featuring wine, cheese, food samplings, musical entertainment, dance performances and a variety of activities for young and old. Fri, 4:30-7:30pm; Sat, 8am-4pm, Free (402) 643-4189 www.sewardne.com

Feb 19-20

York, York County

York Home and Garden Show

City auditorium, 6th & Nebraska Ave Demonstrations, home improvement items and more. Fri, noon-8pm; Sat, 9am-5pm, Free Todd Kirshenbaum (402) 362-5531 www.yorkchamber.org

Feb 19-28

Grand Island, Hall County

Little Shop of Horrors

Hornady-Marshall Theater One of the longest running off-Broadway shows of all time. Fri-Sat, 7:30pm; Sun, 2pm, \$12.50 Linda Stanislav (308) 381-6535 www.githeater.org

Feb 19-Apr 11

Grand Island, Hall County

Wings Over the Platte Art Exhibit and Sale

Stuhr Museum of the Prairie Pioneer, 3133 W. Hwy 34 One of central Nebraska's largest and most eclectic art shows features life on the Platte River and its tributaries. Daily, 9am-5pm, \$4-\$6 kari Stofer (308) 385-5316 www.stuhrmuseum.org

Feb 19-July 3

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Shrew'd: The Smart & Sassy, A Survey of American Woment Artists

Sheldon Museum of Art, UNL Campus - 12th & R Sts Open Tue-Sun, Free Tom White (402) 472-2461 www.sheldonartgallery.org

Feb 19-May 8

Grand Island, Hall County

Live Horse Race Meet

Heartland Events Center, 700 E. Stolley Park Rd The horses return to Fonner Park for LIVE racing Fri-Sun. Free (308) 382-4515 www.heartlandeventscenter.com

Feb 20

Omaha, Douglas County

Bela Fleck, The Africa Project

Holland Performing Arts Center, 1200 Douglas St The king of bluegrass took his banjo to Africa, and this is the boundary-breaking result. 8pm (402) 345-0606 www.omahaperformingarts.org

Feb 20-21

Ogallala, Keith County

Oregon Trail Home Show

Keith County Fairgrounds Adam Peters (308) 289-0151

Mar 20-21

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Seasons of Crafts

Lancaster Event Center, 84th & Havelock Ave Sat, 9am-5pm; Sun, 10am-4pm, Free Mary Marik (402) 489-5001

Feb 21

Brule, Keith County

Ice Cream Social

Community Hall BJ Van Velson (308) 287-2149

Feb 21

Elba, Howard County

Kolache Shootout

Elba School, 711 Carolin St Polka bands, Best Kolache Bake-Off, Polka bands and more. Events begin at 9am, Free Edna Ingerle (308) 863-2214

Feb 21

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Spaghetti Feed

Calvary United Methodist Church, 11th & Garfield 11:30am-1:30pm (402) 476-7353

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Feb 21

Omaha, Douglas County

Art & Soup

Holiday Inn Convention Center, 72nd & Grover Buy original artwork from 60 artists, enjoy soups from 28 local restaurants and enjoy wonderful jazz music. (402) 346-3950 www.thevnacares.org

Feb 23

Holdrege, Phelps County

Van Cliburn Finalist

The Tassel Performing Arts Center, 1324 Tilden Once every 4 years, a select few young pianists emerge victorious from the Van Cliburn International Competition - the most prestigious classical piano contest in the world. 7:30pm, \$10-\$25 Rachel Morgan (308) 995-2717 www.thetassel.org

Feb 23-Dec 31

La Vista, Sarpy County

La Vista Celebrates 50 Years

City-wide A series of community events are held throughout the year, beginning Feb 23. Rita Ramirez (402) 331-4343 www.cityoflavista.org

Feb 25

Hastings, Adams County

Critterman

Hastings Museum, 14th & Burlington Explore the diversity of animals from around the world. Meet some of the amazing species we protect when we practice the three R's (reduce, reuse and recycle). 11am, 1 & 7pm, \$5-\$7 (800) 508-4629 www.hastingsmuseum.org

Feb 25-27

Lincoln, Lancaster County

South Pacific

Lied Center for Performing Arts, 301 N. 12th St Rodgers and Hammerstein's classic, award-winning musical. Thu-Fri, 7:30pm; Sat, 2 & 7:30pm (402) 472-4700 www.liedcenter.org

Feb 26

Omaha, Douglas County

Heartland Walk for Warmth

Heartland of America Park, 8th & Douglas Sts 6pm, \$20 Elizabeth Balazs (402) 345-5401 www.heartlandwalkforwarmth.org

Feb 26-28

Beemer, Cuming County

Beemer Community Theater's Dinner and a Musical

Beemer Ballroom Dinner theater followed by a musical comedy. Fri-Sat, 7pm; Sun, 12:30pm, \$14 Cheryl Ann Schultz (402) 528-3575

Feb 26-Mar 7

Hastings, Adams County

The Children's Hour

Hastings Community Theatre, 515 S. Fourth Ave A play exploring the damage done by false accusations and rumors. Fri & Sat, 8pm; Sun, 2:30pm (402) 463-1500 www.hastingscommunitytheatre.com

Feb 27

Grand Island, Hall County

Thunderfest

Heartland Events Center Grand Island Family Radio presents "Chevelle, Puddle of Mudd, Sick Puppies, Janus and New Medicine. All five bands performing one night, for one big show! Doors open at 5:30pm. Concert at 7pm., \$26.50-\$30 (308) 382-4515 www.heartlandeventscenter.com

Feb 27

Henderson, York County

Home Show

Heartland Community School, 1501 Front St 9am-2pm, Free Kelsey Bergen (402) 723-4228 www.cityofhenderson.org

Feb 27

Lincoln, Lancaster County

I Love My Dog Expo

Lancaster Event Center, 84th & Havelock Ave A family-style, dog-friendly event featuring the positive aspects of responsible dog ownership. Dog related products and services, educational demonstrations, entertainment and vendors. 9am-4pm, \$5 adults, children under 12 yrs old & dogs free Michelle Ashley (402) 465-4201 www.ilovemydogexpo.com

Feb 27-28

Brule, Keith County

Gun Show

Activity Center Denise Moorhead (308) 289-6928

Mar

Gering, Scotts Bluff County

Emerging Voices Open Readings and Poetry

Scotts Bluff National Monument Enjoy readings by local writers. Free (308) 436-9700 www.nps.gov/scbl

Mar

Grand Island, Hall County

Iron Horse Bike Show

Fonner Park Featuring motorcycles from vintage to custom along with an assortment of vendors. Noon-5pm, Free Randy Gard (308) 384-3009

Mar 1-31

Grand Island, Hall County

"Spirit of the Cranes"

Prairie Winds Art Center, 112 W. 3rd St Award-winning wildlife artists celebrate the return of the cranes to the Platte River Valley. Artist reception Fri, 5:30pm., Free (308) 381-4001 www.prairiewindsart.com

Mar 2

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Van Cliburn Gold Medalist

Lied Center for Performing Arts, 301 N. 12th St Experience the winner of the Van Cliburn International Piano Competition. 7:30pm (402) 472-4700 www.liedcenter.org

Mar 3-4

Omaha, Douglas County

Triumph of Agriculture Expo

Qwest Center, 455 N. 10th St One of the largest indoor farm machinery shows in the Midwest. Daily, 9am-5pm, Free Bob Mancuso (402) 346-8003 www.showofficeonline.com

Mar 3-May 16

David City, Butler County

Jim Hamill Retrospective: Farmland USA

Bone Creek Museum of Agrarian Art Presenting many watercolor paintings from Jim Hamill's book. Reception Mar 5, 5-8pm, Free Amanda Mobley (402) 367-4488 www.bonecreek.org

Mar 4

Omaha, Douglas County

Flamenco Vivo Carlota Santana

Orpheum Theater, 409 S. 16th St Expert footwork, swoops and swooshes, and sizzling attitude make this premier performance a lively show. 7:30pm (402) 345-0606 www.omahaperformingarts.org

Mar 4-12

Cedar Rapids, Boone County

Cedar Rapids Annual Melodrama

Community Center 7:30pm on Mar 4-6 & Mar 11-12 Cheryl Loeffler (308) 358-0274 www.ci.cedar-rapids.ne.us

Mar 5

Omaha, Douglas County

Randy Sabien and The Fiddlehead Band

Holland Performing Arts Center, 1200 Douglas St Five alarm fun and straight ahead jazz fused with blues, calypso and swing. 8pm (402) 345-0606 www.omahaperformingarts.org

Mar 5

Stanton, Stanton County

Annual Irish Fest

Stanton Community Bldg at the Fairgrounds The original Irish band, Paddywach, will reunite. 7pm Rosalind Lamson (402) 439-5100

Mar 5-21

Omaha, Douglas County

There's an Alligator Under My Bed

The Rose Theater, 2001 Farnam St Best for ages 4-12 years. Don't miss this chance to see the world-premier based on 3 of Mercer Mayer's famous children's books. Fri, 7pm; Sat-Sun, 2pm, \$16 (402) 345-4849 www.rosetheater.org

Mar 5-6

Clay Center, Clay County

Spring Wing Ding

Clay County Fairgrounds Activities for all ages including birdwatching tours, crafts, food, raptor recovery and more. Fri, 6pm; Sat, 7:30am, Free Susan Rohrer (402) 762-3776 www.springwingding.com

Mar 5-6

Mullen, Hooker County

Polar Bear Tank Race

Middle Loup River Timed tank race down the Middle Loup River for teams of 5 to 7 people. Mitch Glidden (308) 546-2206 www.sandhillsjourney.com

Mar 5-7

Brownville, Nemaha County

Andrea Marcovicci & Jeff Harnar

Concert Hall 7:30pm, 2pm on Sun, \$15-\$20 (402) 825-3331 www.brownvilleconcertseries.com

Mar 6

Brule, Keith County

Firefighters Ball

Brule Activity Center Live entertainment and dance. Cecil Henrichs (308) 287-2127

Mar 6

Grand Island, Hall County

Dancing White Stallions

Heartland Events Center The world famous Lipizzaner Stallions proudly presents their 40th anniversary presentation of the Dancing White Stallions. 2 & 7:30pm, \$17.50-\$22.50 (308) 382-4515 www.lipizzaner.com

Mar 6

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Abraham Inc.

Lied Center for Performing Arts, 301 N. 12th St Jazz, blues, hip-hop, funk and Klezmer all in one! 7:30pm (402) 472-4700 www.liedcenter.org

Mar 6

Omaha, Douglas County

Classical Mystery Tour

Holland Performing Arts Center, 1200 Douglas St Imagine the Beatles playing in concert with a live orchestra. 8pm, \$15-\$70 (402) 342-3560 www.omahasymphony.org

Mar 6-7

Columbus, Platte County

Spring Fling Craft Giftique

Center 30 Mall, 23rd St & 32nd Ave Sat, 9am-5pm; Sun, 10am-4pm, Free Sharon Pohlman (402) 564-1845

Listing of Events by Month

Mar 6-7

Grand Island, Hall County 19th Annual Hoops Mania

Various gyms (308) 383-6942
www.hoopsmania.com

Mar 9

Lincoln, Lancaster County In the Mood

Lied Center for Performing Arts, 301 N. 12th St This troupe complete with a big band orchestra, singers and dancers is a trip down memory lane. 7:30pm (402) 472-4700 www.liedcenter.org

Mar 9

Omaha, Douglas County

Andrea Marcovicci & Jeff Harnar

Joslyn Art Museum, Witherspoon Concert Hall 7:30pm, \$35 (402) 825-3331
www.brownvilleconcertseries.com

Mar 11

Kearney, Buffalo County

Route 66

Merryman Performing Arts Center, 225 W. 22nd St The cast will take you to the ultimate road trip from Chicago to L.A. and features a live band of wacky characters and familiar tunes. 7pm, \$17-\$36 (308) 698-8297

Mar 11

Lincoln, Lancaster County

One Night of Queen

Lied Center for Performing Arts, 301 N. 12th St Stunning live recreation and celebration of one of the greatest rock bands of all time. 7:30pm (402) 472-4700 www.liedcenter.org

Mar 11-18

Minden, Kearney County

The Wizard of Oz

Minden Opera House, 322 E. 5th St Thu-Sat, 7:30pm; Sun, 2:30pm, \$15 Ben Morey (308) 832-0588 www.mindenoperahouse.com

Mar 11-Apr 3

Omaha, Douglas County

Hot N Throbbing by Paula Vogel

The Downtown Space, 614 S. 11th St A gripping new play by a Pulitzer Prize winning playwright. Thu-Sat, 7:30pm; Sun, 6pm, \$20-\$25 Shannon Walenta (402) 345-1576 www.bluebam.org

Mar 12-13

York, York County

Nebraska Peep Show III

City auditorium, 6th & Nebraska Ave Featuring artwork created from marshmallow Peeps. Prizes, recipe contest and more. Annual taste of spring promotion on March 13. Public viewing/voting March 13, 10am-2pm Todd Kirshenbaum (402) 362-5531 www.yorkchamber.org

Mar 12-14

Omaha, Douglas County

Cherish The Ladies

Holland Performing Arts Center, 1200 Douglas St The most sought-after Irish American group in Celtic music offers audiences the whole package. Fri-Sat, 8pm; Sun, 2pm, \$15-\$80 (402) 342-3560 www.omahasymphony.org

Mar 12-26

Omaha, Douglas County

Rein Vanderhill Exhibit

Anderson O'Brien Fine Art, 8724 Pacific St Mon-Fri, 10am-5:30pm; Sat, 10am-5pm (402) 390-0717

Mar 12-29

Bellevue, Sarpy County

Get Back

Bellevue Little Theatre, 203 W. Mission Ave Musical revue of hit songs from the 1970s. Fri-Sat, 8pm; Sun, 2, \$7.50-\$15 (402) 291-3809 www.bellevuelittletheatre.com

Mar 12-Apr 3

Kearney, Buffalo County

Cranefest

Great Platte River Road Archway, 3060 E. 1st St Learn about the Sandhill Crane migration, gather information or plan a guided tour. 9am-4pm, Fees for crane tours, call for pricing. Ronnie O'Brien (308) 237-1000 www.archway.org

Mar 13

Bellevue, Sarpy County

A Bit O' the Irish: Storytelling

Fontenelle Forest Nature Center, 1111 Bellevue Blvd N. Enjoy Irish stories, music and more. 7-9pm, \$5 Dorothy Bockerman (402) 990-2946 www.omahastorytelling.org

Mar 13

Grand Island, Hall County

Golden Gloves Boxing

Heartland Events Center, 700 E. Stolley Park Rd Amateur boxing tournament. 2 & 7pm, \$3-\$15 (308) 382-4515 www.heartlandeventscntr.com

Mar 13

Omaha, Douglas County

Discover Nebraska Family Day

The Durham Museum Learn about the numerous hunting, fishing, camping, boating and state park opportunities across the state. Door prizes and a GPS giveaway. www.durhammuseum.org

Mar 13-14

Hastings, Adams County

Military Gun Show

Adams County Fairgrounds, 947 S. Baltimore Ken Hegwood (402) 744-3771

Mar 13-21

Minden, Kearney County

Cranefest

Various locations Welcome birdwatchers! Art walk, dance, contests, Feathered Friends Finale and grand prize drawing for a trip for 2. Marcy Brandt (308) 832-1811 www.mindenne.org

Mar 13-Apr 18

Ashland, Saunders County

Having a Wonderful Time, Wish You Were Her

Mahoney State Park, I-80 Exit 426 This new wild comedy is filled with double standards, midnight rendezvous and a hungry bear. Sat, 7:30pm; Sun, 2pm, \$6-\$8, dinner theater packages available (402) 944-2523

Mar 14

Avoca, Cass County

Schoolhouse Performance Series featuring Greenblatt & Seay

Old Avoca Schoolhouse, 504 Garfield St Tunes from Ireland and beyond. 2:30pm, \$1-\$5 (402) 275-3221 www.greenblattandseay.com

Mar 14

David City, Butler County

Duo Adante

St. Luke's United Methodist Church, 620 D St Featuring the harp of Heidi N. Beran and the flute of Betsy Bobenhouse. 3pm, \$5-\$8 Anna Nolan (402) 367-3709

Mar 14

Lincoln, Lancaster County

11th Annual Ceili

Auld Rec Center - Antelope Park, 30th & A Sts Pronounced KAY-lee, this event is a Gaelic party! Featuring the Irish band Captain Mackey's Goatskin and Stringband with Mairtin de Cogain and Jimmy Crowley. 6:30-9pm, \$8 adults, \$5 ages 5-12, \$25 family (402) 742-0477 www.lincolnirishdancers.org

Mar 16-21

Omaha, Douglas County

The Color Purple

Orpheum Theater, 409 S. 16th St A soul-stirring musical based on the classic novel by Alice Walker. (402) 345-0606 www.omahaperformingarts.org

Mar 17-21

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Shrine Circus

Pershing Center, 226 Centennial Mall S. Traditional 3-ring circus with animals, acrobats, dare devils, clowns and more. Derek Andersen (402) 441-8744 www.pershingcenter.com

Mar 18

Beatrice, Gage County

Bitter Sweet Chocolates

Community Players Theatre, 412 Ella St Play reading of a story of the journey through life for 2 best friends. 7pm, \$5 Jamie Ulmer (402) 228-1801 www.beatricecommunityplayers.com

Mar 18-21

Kearney, Buffalo County

40th Annual Rivers & Wildlife Celebration

Holiday Inn, 110 Second Ave Celebrate the annual migration of 500,000 Sandhill Cranes and millions of waterfowl. (402) 797-2301 www.nebraska.audubon.org/RWC.htm

Mar 19

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Nobody's Perfect

Lied Center for Performing Arts, 301 N. 12th St Based on the children's book, this exciting and infectious musical is performed as a great reminder that nobody's perfect. 7pm (402) 472-4700 www.liedcenter.org

Mar 19-20

Geneva, Fillmore County

Revitalize Geneva's Home & Garden Show

Fillmore County Fairgrounds Fri, 11am-8pm; Sat, 9am-2pm, Free Lori Loontjer (402) 759-1155 www.ci.geneva.ne.us

Mar 19-20

O'Neill, Holt County

St. Patrick's Day Celebration

City-wide Grand Parade, fun run, children's carnival, fish fry and performances by Irish dancers. Pat Fritz (402) 336-2355 www.oneillchamber.org

Mar 19-21

Hastings, Adams County

Whoopers & Hoopers Basketball Tournament

Various locations Largest 5x5 basketball tournament in the midwest. \$7 weekend pass Mikki Shafer (402) 461-8400 www.hastingschamber.com

Mar 20

Grand Island, Hall County

The Rumbles in Concert

Heartland Events Center, 700 E. Stolley Park Rd 8pm-midnight, \$10 Bruce Swihart (308) 382-4515 www.rumbles.com

Listing of Events by Month

Mar 20

Henderson, York County

Heartland German Smorgasbord & Concert

Heartland Community School, 1501 Front St
Homemade German food followed by a band
concert. 5pm, \$4-\$9 Kelsey Bergen (402) 723-4228
www.heartlandschools.org

Mar 20

Lincoln, Lancaster County

National Quilting Day

International Quilt Study Center, 33rd & Holdrege
Sts A super Saturday stashbuster event! Enjoy a
round robin of stashbusting ideas, educational quilt
displays and refreshments. 10am-3pm, Free Sheila
Green (402) 483-0453 www.lincolnquiltersguild.org

Mar 20

Omaha, Douglas County

The Haffner Symphony

UNO Strauss Performing Arts Center, 6001 Dodge
St A work that can be fiery and frenetic one moment
and tranquil the next. 7:00pm, \$30 (402) 342-3560
www.omahasymphony.org

Mar 20

Omaha, Douglas County

Yo-Yo Ma with Kathryn Stott

Holland Performing Arts Center, 1200 Douglas St
Yo-Yo Ma's unfailingly beautiful sound is always
elegant, understated and out of this world. 8pm
(402) 345-0606 www.omahaperformingarts.org

Mar 20

Ord, Valley County

Kids Fair

Ord High School Gym, 18th & K Sts Fun for the
entire family! Games, prizes and more. Children get
in free - must be accompanied by an adult. 10am,
Free Kayla Hinrichs (308) 728-5071
www.ordnebraska.com

Mar 20

Wisner, Cuming County

St. Patrick's Day Celebration

City-wide Sign up for the Leprechaun fun run/walk at
noon, watch the Grand Parade at 1:30pm, feast on a
delicious Irish meal from 11am-1pm, or enjoy live
entertainment and dancing all evening long. Free
Peggy Liermann (402) 529-3338
www.wisnerareachamberofcommerce.com

Mar 20-21

Ogallala, Keith County

Big Mac Sports Expo

Keith County Fairgrounds Hunting, fishing and
outdoor enthusiasts. Jerry Steinke (308) 284-4487

Mar 20-21

Omaha, Douglas County

23rd Annual Orchid Show and Sale

Lauritzen Gardens, 100 Bancroft St Orchid growers
from the midwest show their blooming plants in
various displays. Plants also for sale. Daily, 10am-
4pm, \$6 Jim Pyrzynski (402) 734-4112
www.greateromahaorchidsociety.org

Mar 20-Apr 20

Comstock, Custer County

**2nd Annual Comstock Art and Photography
Competition**

Gallery: Art & Creativity Center Juried art from
across the state. Open by appointment, Free Sue
Oiler Dowse (308) 215-0076

Mar 20-July 31

Omaha, Douglas County

**Bicentennial Independence of Mexico &
Centennial of the Mexican Revolution**

El Museo Latino, 4701 S. 25th St Historical
exhibition. \$3.50-\$5 Magdalena Garcia (402) 731-
1137 www.elmuseolatino.org

Mar 21

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Yo-Yo Ma

Lied Center for Performing Arts, 301 N. 12th St One
of the best selling classical cellist artists in the field.
4pm (402) 472-4700 www.liedcenter.org

Mar 21

Milligan, Fillmore County

Beers of Nebraska

Milligan auditorium, 6th & Main Sts Sample
Nebraska microbrews and sit back and enjoy live
music and food. Scott Oliva (402) 629-4446
www.visitfillmorecounty.org

Mar 21

Omaha, Douglas County

The World Famous Glenn Miller Orchestra

Holland Performing Arts Center, 1200 Douglas St
Nobody does big band better. 2pm (402) 345-0606
www.omahaperformingarts.org

Mar 23

Grand Island, Hall County

Shrine Circus

Heartland Events Center, 700 E. Stolley Park Rd 4 &
7:30pm, \$10 adult/free admission for children
Wayne Vian (308) 379-5173 www.shrine-circus.com

Mar 25

Wood River, Hall County

Wood River Community Choir Easter Cantata

Wood River High School Performing Arts Center
2pm, Free Georgene Smidt (308) 583-2606
wrcommunityfoundation.com/celebratew.htm

Mar 26-27

Aurora, Hamilton County

**31st Annual Nebraska Mennonite Quilts & Crafts
Sale**

Hamilton County Fairgrounds Musical entertainment,
delicious ethnic foods and quality crafts, quilts and
wood items. Fri, 4-9pm; Sat, 7am-5pm, Free Beth
Miller (402) 761-2290 www.nebraskamccsale.org

Mar 26-27

Omaha, Douglas County

A Night of Firsts

Holland Performing Arts Center, 1200 Douglas St
Experience the unique excitement and privilege of a
world premier. 8pm, \$15-\$75 (402) 342-3560
www.omahasymphony.org

Mar 27

Cook, Johnson County

Cook Rescue Chili Feed

Cook Community Building, 120 W. Main St Join the
Rescue Squad as they host a chili feed. 5-8pm, Free
will donation

Mar 27

Fremont, Dodge County

Moostash Joe Polka Party

City auditorium, 9th & Broad Sts. Enjoy polka bands
and dancing. 11am-9pm, Free (402) 721-7944
www.mjttours.com

Mar 27

Gibbon, Buffalo County

Rowe Sanctuary's Family Crane Carnival

Rowe Sanctuary's Iain Nicolson Audubon Center,
44450 Elm Island Rd Learn about the Sandhill
Crane migration and take part in educational
activities with the family! 10am-5pm, Free Keanna
Leonard (308) 468-5282 www.rowesanctuary.org

Mar 27

Grand Island, Hall County

Rodney Carrington

Heartland Events Center Enjoy this no-hold barred
stand-up that includes comedy and music about the
funny side of redneck lifestyles. 7pm, \$41.75 (800)
745-3000 www.heartlandeventscenter.com

Mar 27-28

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Lancaster Antique Show

Lancaster Event Center, 84th & Havelock Ave Sat,
9am-5pm; Sun, 10am-4pm, \$3.50 Russ Blank (402)
432-1451 www.lancastereventcenter.com

Mar 28

Brownville, Nemaha County

Hahn-Bin, Violin

Concert Hall 2pm, \$15 (402) 825-3331
www.brownvilleconcertseries.com

Mar 28

Curtis, Frontier County

50th Annual Curtis Easter Pageant

Medicine Valley High School Gym, 303 Crook Ave
Living pictures pageant. Sixty-five member cast and
fifty member choir. 3pm, Donation Kristy Roblee
(308) 367-4122 www.curtis-ne.com/easterpageant.html

Mar 28

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Arts for the Soul's Spring Choral Concert

First Presbyterian Church, 840 S. 17th St Combining
favorite movements from the works of several
composers into a single, dramatic work. 3pm, \$8-
\$18 Brian Pfoitner (402) 477-6037
www.firstpresbyterianlincoln.org

Mar 28

Nebraska City, Otoe County

Mayhew Cabin Spaghetti Feed

2012 4th Corso Spaghetti feed fundraiser and
Underground Railroad speaker, James Patrick
Morgans. 11am-1pm, Donation (402) 873-3115
www.mayhewcabin.org

Mar 28

Nickerson, Dodge County

Easter Family Fun Day at Camp Fontanelle

9677 County Rd 3 Easter egg hunting, egg dying,
tree climbing and more activities for all ages. Trent
Meyer (402) 478-4296 www.campfontanelle.com

Mar 30

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Reduced Shakespeare Company

Lied Center for Performing Arts, 301 N. 12th St This
3 man troupe will blaze through Shakespeare's plays
in 97 minutes. 7:30pm (402) 472-4700
www.liedcenter.org

Apr

Hemingford, Box Butte County

Czech Festival

American Legion Liz Taylor-Herd (308) 762-3876
www.ci.hemingford.ne.us

Apr

Sidney, Cheyenne County

Taste of Sidney

Enjoy samples of food and drink from area
merchants. Brenda Rusk (308) 249-3779
www.cheyennecountychamber.com

Apr 1-30

Grand Island, Hall County

11th Annual National Miniature Show

Prairie Winds Art Center, 112 W. 3rd St Competition
open to artists from around the US. Artist reception
Apr 9, 5:30pm, Free (308) 381-4001
www.prairiewindsart.com

Listing of Events by Month

Apr-Dec

Fremont, Dodge County

The Prairie, My Garden

Louis E. May Museum, 1643 N. Nye Extensive photographs and exhibits of agriculture on the prairie and how it developed Dodge County. \$1-\$4 Patty Manhart (402) 721-4515 www.connectfremont.org

Apr-Oct

Beatrice, Gage County

Sporting Clay Shoots

Patch & Powder Gang Range 9am-1pm, Varies Frank Mitschler (402) 228-3931

Apr 2-18

Omaha, Douglas County

The Bridge to Terabithia

The Rose Theater, 2001 Farnam St Powerful production supported by a lyrical musical score. Fri, 7pm; Sat-Sun, 2pm, \$16 (402) 345-4849 www.rosetheater.org

Apr 3

Grand Island, Hall County

Three Dog Night Concert

Heartland Events Center, 700 E. Stolley Park Rd 8pm, \$31.50-\$55 (308) 382-4515 www.heartlandeventscenter.com

Apr 3

Omaha, Douglas County

Easter Extravaganza

Lauritzen Gardens Easter celebration in the garden with carrot craft activities, photos with the Easter Bunny and an Easter egg hunt. 9am-noon, \$3-\$7 Emily Smith (402) 346-4002 www.lauritzengardens.org

Apr 6

Omaha, Douglas County

Tuesday Musical Concert Series

Joslyn Art Museum, Witherspoon Concert Hall, 2200 Dodge St Kevin Kenner, world renowned pianist performing with orchestras. 7:30pm, \$5.75-\$35 Janet Cockle (402) 551-2234 www.tuesdaymusicalomaha.org

Apr 9

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Lincoln Symphony Orchestra

Lied Center for Performing Arts, 301 N. 12th St 7:30pm (402) 472-4700 www.liedcenter.org

Apr 9

Omaha, Douglas County

Ryan Montbleau Band

Holland Performing Arts Center, 1200 Douglas St Catchy, sophisticated folk tinged with soul and R&B. 8pm, \$25-\$30 (402) 345-0606 www.omahaperformingarts.org

Apr 9-11

Omaha, Douglas County

Spring Festival, An Arts & Crafts Affair

Qwest Center, 455 N. 10th St Hundreds of the nation's finest artists and crafts people from around the country display and sell their handmade wares. Fri, 11am-9pm; Sat, 9am-6pm; Sun, 10am-5pm, \$7 adults, \$6 seniors and children (402) 331-2889 www.hpifestivals.com

Apr 9-18

Beatrice, Gage County

The Cemetery Club

Community Players Theatre, 412 Ella St Think Golden Girls meets Steel Magnolias in this punky and touching comedy. Fri-Sat, 7:30pm; Sun, 2pm, \$8-\$13 Jamie Ulmer (402) 228-1801 www.beatricecommunityplayers.com

Apr 9-18

North Platte, Lincoln County

Exit Who

Neville Center for the Performing Arts, 301 E. Fifth St A hilarious mystery comedy about a writer of suspense mysteries. Brittany Drullinger (308) 532-8559 www.northplattecommunityplayhouse.org

Apr 10

Kearney, Buffalo County

Signs of Spring Craft Show

Buffalo County Fairgrounds, 3807 Ave N 9am-4pm, Free Kyla Martin (308) 440-0153 www.mnca.net

Apr 10

Omaha, Douglas County

Destination: World's Fare

Omaha Community Playhouse, 6915 Cass St Celebrate the playhouse's 85th birthday while traveling the world in search of the finest cuisine and entertainment. 7pm, \$100 Molly Paskach (402) 553-4890 www.omahaplayhouse.org

Apr 10

Omaha, Douglas County

A Space Odyssey

Holland Performing Arts Center, 1200 Douglas St To infinity and beyond - join the Omaha Symphony on a musical journey through space. 8pm, \$10-\$65 (402) 342-3560 www.omahasymphony.org

Apr 10

Schuyler, Colfax County

Haunted by God: The Life of Dorothy Day

Saint Benedict Center, 1126 Rd I A moving and dramatic portrait of Dorothy Day. Retreat \$30. Dinner show \$20. Show alone \$8-\$10 (402) 352-8819 www.stbenedictcenter.com

Apr 10

Wood River, Hall County

Baby Needs Shoes

Wood River High School Performing Arts Center Three beautiful voices, three talented women, three zany performers. 7pm, Free Georgene Smidt (308) 583-2606 wrcommunityfoundation.com/celebratewr.htm

Apr 10-11

Ashland, Saunders County

Platte River Art Show by Prairie Images

Eugene T. Mahoney State Park, I-80 Exit 426 A fine arts celebration featuring wildlife, landscape, still life and more. Sat, 9am-8pm; Sun, 9am-4pm, Park entry permit required Adam Offner (402) 944-2523 www.outdoornebraska.org

Apr 10-11

Lincoln, Lancaster County

The Wizard of Oz

Lied Center for Performing Arts, 301 N. 12th St The classic movie that we all know and love is coming to the stage. 7:30pm (402) 472-4700 www.liedcenter.org

Apr 10-June 27

Brownville, Nemaha County

Paul A Johnsgard, Naturalist

School House Art Gallery & Nature Center Birds, wood carvings and illustrations. Weekends, 10am-4pm & by appt., Free Mary Ann Chaney (402) 825-3963 www.brownville-ne.com

Apr 11

Avoca, Cass County

Schoolhouse Performance Series featuring Greenblatt & Seay

Old Avoca Schoolhouse, 504 Garfield St Sea songs and other watery tales. 2:30pm, \$1-\$5 David Seay (402) 275-3221 www.greenblattandseay.com

Apr 11

Holdrege, Phelps County

Boston Brass

The Tassel Performing Arts Center, 1324 Tilden Time and again audiences have agreed that Boston Brass provided the most memorable chamber brass they've ever experienced. 3pm, \$10-\$25 Rachel Morgan (308) 995-2717 www.thetassel.org

Apr 11

Omaha, Douglas County

Peter and the Wolf

Holland Performing Arts Center, 1200 Douglas St Adventure awaits you as the Omaha Symphony presents Peter and the Wolf. 2pm, \$7-\$9.75 (402) 342-3560 www.omahasymphony.org

Apr 11

Syracuse, Otoe County

Ladies Day Out

Downtown and Alte Haus B&B A day designed with you in mind. Experience entertainment, tasty treats and refreshments including catering and wine tastings. 1-4:30pm www.syracusene.com

Apr 16

Ogallala, Keith County

8th Annual Wine Tasting Event

Grey Goose Lodge Linda Dale (308) 289-2357 www.visitogallala.com

Apr 16-17

Burwell, Garfield County

Fox Hunt

46375 826th Rd Enjoy the Nebraska Sandhills and the thrill of the chase on this fox hunt. Joan Kahlandt (308) 346-4856 www.visitburwell.org

Apr 16-25

Grand Island, Hall County

You Can't Take It With You

Hornady-Marshall Theater A classic 1930s American comedy. Fri-Sat, 7:30pm; Sun, 2pm, \$12.50 Linda Stanislav (308) 381-6535 www.githeatre.org

Apr 17

Grand Island, Hall County

Tri State Cage Fights

Heartland Events Center, 700 E. Stolley Park Rd Lightweight, heavyweight, rounds, matches, draw, sudden-death overtime. 7:30pm, \$20-\$275 (308) 382-4515 www.heartlandeventscenter.com

Apr 17

Omaha, Douglas County

Kathy Mattea

Holland Performing Arts Center, 1200 Douglas St Mattea takes on real mountain music - gritty, brash and timeless. 8pm (402) 345-0606 www.omahaperformingarts.org

Apr 17

Omaha, Douglas County

Earth Day Omaha

Elmwood Park, 6700 Elmwood Park Rd Nebraska's largest Earth Day celebration. Live music, food, children's activities, educational demonstrations, displays and information from green organizations. noon-8pm, Free Craig Moody (402) 681-9458 www.earthdayomaha.com

Apr 17-18

South Sioux City, Dakota County

Looking for Art Along the Lewis & Clark Scenic Byway

Several stops along the byway Discover northeast Nebraska's artistic talent while exploring the Lewis & Clark Scenic Byway. Maps available to browse and shop at your own pace. Sat, 9am-6pm; Sun, 10am-5pm, Free Deborah Ward (402) 685-5175 www.lewisandclarkscenicbyway.com

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Apr 18

Geneva, Fillmore County

Geneva Arts Council Presents: Adams & Cooley

City auditorium, 162 N. 9th St This quintet performs music from a bygone era. 2pm Maureen Domeier (402) 759-4632 www.visitfillmorecounty.org

Apr 18

Hastings, Adams County

Hastings Symphony Orchestra Concert

Masonic Center, 411 N. Hastings Ave 3pm, \$5-\$13 Jodi Mackin (402) 469-9396 www.hastingsssymphony.com

Apr 18

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Abendmusik: Lincoln, Brahms Requiem

First Plymouth Church, 2000 D St 4pm, \$10-\$20 Josh Norris (402) 476-9933 www.abendmusik.org

Apr 18-24

Gering, Scotts Bluff County

Celebrate National Parks Week at Scotts Bluff National Monument

Scotts Bluff National Monument Activities for all ages all week long. \$5/vehicle Mark Davison (308) 436-9700 www.nps.gov/scbl

Apr 18-May 10

Gering, Scotts Bluff County

Scotts Bluff: An Artist's Perception Art Show

Scotts Bluff National Monument, 190276 Old Oregon Trail Regional artists show their works in various mediums on their perception of Scotts Bluff Monument. \$5/vehicle (308) 436-9700 www.nps.gov/scbl

Apr 21-Oct 16

Omaha, Douglas County

South 24th Street Walking Tour

Begins at El Museo Latino, 4701 S. 25th St Enjoy a 90-minute tour of a 6-block area featuring the history, cultural elements, arts and architecture of the south 24th Street area. Thurs, 4:30pm; Sat, 11am; or by appt for groups of 5 or more, \$10 (402) 709-2586 www.south24thomahatour.com

Apr 22-24

North Platte, Lincoln County

10th Annual Country Bluegrass Festival

Lincoln County Fairgrounds, 5015 W. US Hwy 30 Enjoy bands and entertainers from across the United States including Bobby Osborne, Michael Cleveland, Audie Blaylock, Barely Herd and Nothin' Fancy. \$45 for 3 day pass before Apr 1. Donna Mentzer (308) 532-1465 www.countrybluegrassshow.homestead.com

Apr 23

Grand Island, Hall County

BD and the Boys

Heartland Events Center, 700 E. Stolley Park Rd Enjoy a night of Rock 'n Roll and dancing following the Live Horse Race Meet. Free (308) 382-4515 www.heartlandeventscenter.com

Apr 23-24

Omaha, Douglas County

All-American Fanfare

Holland Performing Arts Center, 1200 Douglas St Hearts will soar and tears may fall at this patriotic concert celebrating what makes America great. 8pm, \$15-\$75 (402) 342-3560 www.omahasymphony.org

Apr 23-25

Brownville, Nemaha County

Wine, Writers and Song Festival

City-wide A 3 day celebration of wine, literature, food, music and history. 8am-5pm, Free Cinnamon Dokken (402) 475-8663 www.brownville-ne.com

Apr 23-25

Chadron, Dawes County

Festival of Quilts

Assumption Arena, 4th & Spruce Sts Quilt show, competition, displays, vendors, programs and demonstrations. Fri-Sat, 9am-6pm; Sun, noon-4pm, \$4 Charlotte Kriz (308) 432-4041 www.festivalofquilts.com

Apr 23-25

Omaha, Douglas County

Polka Fest at the German American Society

3717 S. 120th St Featuring local and regional acts, dancing, refreshments and more. 11am-midnight (402) 333-6615 www.germanamericansociety.org

Apr 23-25

Springfield, Sarpy County

Garden Gate

Springfield ArtWorks, 183 Main St A garden art event featuring etched, carved and cast glass garden stakes and unique bird houses handmade in Nebraska. Fri-Sat, 10am-6pm; Sun, noon-4pm, Free (402) 301-9162 www.springfieldartworks.com

Jan 23

Stanton, Stanton County

Burns Night - Scotch Tasting & Dinner

Uptown Brewery, 801 10th St Single malt scotch tasting with traditional Celtic cuisine. A tribute to Robert Burns. 6pm (402) 439-5100

Apr 24

Grand Island, Hall County

Bosselman Day at the Races

Heartland Events Center, 700 E. Stolley Park Rd Enjoy the 1 & 1/16th mile Bosselman-Gus Fonner Stakes and 19th annual KRGI Ladies Spring Hat Contest. 1:30pm, Free (308) 382-4515 www.heartlandeventscenter.com

Apr 24

Kearney, Buffalo County

A Night to Remember the Titanic

Frank House, 2010 W. 24th Enter the drama of that fateful night while you enjoy a luxurious 8-course formal dinner in the historic Frank House. 5-9pm, \$165 KrisAnn Sullivan (308) 865-8284 www.frankhouse.org

Apr 24

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Astronomy Day

University of Nebraska State Museum, Morrill Hall, 14th & Vine Sts A fun day of astronomy with telescopes on display, robotics, meteorites and activities. Chat with astronomers or check out a planetarium show. 9:30am-4:30pm, \$5 adults, \$3 kids or \$10 family Jack Dunn (402) 472-2641 www.spacelaser.com

Apr 24

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Spring Affair at Lancaster Event Center

4100 N. 84th St Educational programs, garden-related vendors and plants for sale. 9am-4pm, Free Susan Budler (402) 472-2679 springaffair.unl.edu

Apr 24

Manley, Cass County

Gospel Fest

The Loft Community Theatre Various artists will perform and rotate through an entire afternoon of Gospel entertainment. 2-8pm, \$20 Anne Pope (402) 234-2553 www.lofte.com

Apr 24

Omaha, Douglas County

Dia del Nino - Day of the Child Celebration

El Museo Latino, 4701 S. 25th St International celebration focusing on children. Hands-on art activities, games, dance, entertainment, and more. Literacy and healthy living are also encouraged for all ages. Noon-4pm, Free Magdalena Garcia (402) 731-1137 www.elmuseolatino.org

Apr 24

Peru, Nemaha County

The Great Nebraska Mushroom Hunt

Steamboat Trace Trailhead, 300 5th St A down-to-earth experience. Morel mushroom hunting with instruction for novice hunters. 8:30am-4pm, \$10 Linda Tynon (850) 916-1616 www.nebraskathegoodlife.com

Apr 25

Beatrice, Gage County

Industry Day

Gage County Historical Museum, 101 N. 2nd St Jayhusker Antique Engine Club will show and operate engines used on the farm, home and factory before electrical motors. 1-4pm, Free Lesa Arterburn (402) 228-1679 beatricene.com/gagecountymuseum

Apr 25

Gering, Scotts Bluff County

Spring Up the Bluff Relay Race

Scotts Bluff National Monument, 190276 Old Oregon Trail Relay race up Scotts Bluff National Monument via Summit Road. Running and walking divisions. Free Mark Davison (308) 436-9700 www.nps.gov/scbl

Apr 25

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Lincoln Lutheran Choir Concert

Grace Lutheran Church, 2225 Washington St 7pm, Free Jane Heinz (402) 484-7273 www.lincolnlutheranchoir.org

Apr 25

Sargent, Custer County

Heartland MX Series Racing

Sandhills Motorsport Park, 401 S. 7th St Gates open 8am, racing at 11am, \$5 entry, \$25-\$30 competitors Lisa Grint (308) 215-0564 www.teamupr.com

Apr 27

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Darwin the Dinosaur

Lied Center for Performing Arts, 301 N. 12th St A unique and innovative theatre experience with electroluminescent crayon-like creatures. 7pm (402) 472-4700 www.liedcenter.org

Apr 27-May 2

Omaha, Douglas County

Legally Blonde The Musical

Orpheum Theater, 409 S. 16th St Sorority sister Elle Woods puts down her credit cards, hits the books and sets out to go where no Delta Nu has gone before. (402) 345-0606 www.omahaperformingarts.org

Apr 29-30

Beatrice, Gage County

Storytelling Festival at Homestead National Monument

8523 W. NE Hwy 4 Storytellers entertain and educate visitors with stories about American culture and heritage. 10am-3pm & Fri 7pm, Free Susan Cook (402) 223-3514 www.nps.gov/home

Apr 30

Grand Island, Hall County

Kenny Rogers in Concert

Heartland Events Center, 700 E. Stolley Park Rd 8pm, \$25-\$55 www.heartlandeventscenter.com

Listing of Events by Month

Apr 30

Hastings, Adams County

Hastings Symphony Orchestra Concert

Masonic Center Auditorium, 411 N. Hastings 7pm,
Free Jodi Mackin (402) 469-9396
www.hastingsssymphony.com

Apr 30

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Moscow Festival Ballet: Sleeping Beauty

Lied Center for Performing Arts, 301 N. 12th St This
company tells the classic story. 7:30pm (402) 472-
4700 www.liedcenter.org

Apr 30-May 16

Omaha, Douglas County

If You Give a Cat a Cupcake

The Rose Theater, 2001 Farnam St Best for ages 4-
12. World premier production based on the recent
story by Laura Numeroff and Felicia Bond. Fri, 7pm;
Sat-Sun, 2pm, \$16 (402) 345-4849
www.rosetheater.org

Apr 30-May 2

Nebraska City, Otoe County

Arbor Day Celebration

City-wide Children's activities and live entertainment.
Parade and 5K trail run/walk, commemorative tree
plantings and more. (800) 514-9113
www.nebraskacity.com

Apr 30-May 2

Omaha, Douglas County

Cinco de Mayo Celebration

24th & N St and surrounding area Parade, live
entertainment, children's stage, vendors, food and
carnival. (402) 734-3240
www.cincomemayoomaha.com

Apr 30-May 2

Omaha, Douglas County

Motown Tribute

Holland Performing Arts Center, 1200 Douglas St
Take a musical stroll down memory lane. Fri-Sat,
8pm; Sun, 2pm, \$15-\$80 (402) 342-3560
www.omahasymphony.org

May

Alliance, Box Butte County

Alliance Motocross - TriState Racing

(308) 762-3876 www.alliancemx.com

May 1

Cozad, Dawson County

2nd Annual In & Out Expo

Chipper Hall, 144 E. 8th Vendors showcasing
everything you need. 10am-4pm, Free Judy Andres
(308) 784-3930 www.cozadnebraska.net

May 1

Grand Island, Hall County

Creedence Clearwater Revisited

Heartland Events Center, 700 E. Stolley Park Rd
Enjoy classics like Susie Q, Lodi, Proud Mary, Down
on the Corner and more! Doors open at 6:30pm,
concert at 8pm, \$34-\$55 (308) 382-4515
www.heartlandeventscenter.com

May 1

Lincoln, Lancaster County

90 Year Celebration of the Nebraska Tractor Test Laboratory

UNL East Campus, 35th & Fair Sts Museum open
house with laboratory tours and displays. 10am-
2pm, Free Jeremy Steele (402) 472-8389
tractormuseum.unl.edu

May 1

North Platte, Lincoln County

Woofstock

Memorial Park, E. Fourth St Contests for dogs,
children's games and vendors with specials on
animal care and accessories. 9am, Free Dianne
Morales (308) 650-7297 www.pphs.com

May 1

Plattsmouth, Cass County

Living History Day

Cass County Historical Museum, 646 Main St Living
history demonstrations including blacksmithing,
basket making, weaving and soapmaking. 10am-
3pm, Free Margo Prentiss (402) 296-4770
www.nebraskamuseums.org/casscountymuseum.ht
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May 1-2

Bellevue, Sarpy County

Nebraska Renaissance Faire

Bellevue Berry & Pumpkin Patch 11am-6pm (641)
357-5177 www.nebfaire.com

May 1-2

Columbus, Platte County

May Days

Center 30 Mall, 23rd St & 32nd Ave Crafts and
home-based businesses. Sat, 9am-5pm; Sun, 10am-
4pm, Free Sharon Pohlman (402) 564-1845

May 1-2

Ogallala, Keith County

6th Annual Spring Classic Golf Tournament

West Winds & Bayside Golf Courses Jason
Zoellner (308) 284-4066

May 1-2

Omaha, Douglas County

Hot Shops Spring Open House

Hot Shops Art Center, 1301 Nicholas St Ongoing
informative art demonstrations, live music, studios
open to the public. Sat, noon-8pm; Sun, noon-5pm,
Free Tim Barry (402) 342-6452
www.hotshopsartcenter.com

May 1-31

Grand Island, Hall County

Portals

Prairie Winds Art Center, 112 W. 3rd St An inspiring
presentation of art in a variety of media. Reception
May 7, 5:30-8:30pm (308) 381-4001
www.prairiewindsart.com

May 1-Oct 3

Fort Calhoun, Washington County

Living History Weekends at Fort Atkinson State Historical Park

201 S. 7th St Demonstrations of military life at a
reconstructed 1820s military post. Military drills,
blacksmithing, cooking and crafts. Dates: May 1-2,
June 5-6, July 3-4, July 31-Aug 1, Sep 4-5, Oct 2-3,
Park permit required. (402) 468-5611
www.outdoornebraska.org

May 1-Oct 9

Omaha, Douglas County

Old Market Farmers Market

11th & Jackson Sts Buy local, eat fresh! Sat, 8am-
12:30pm, Free Heidi Walz (402) 345-5401
www.omahafarmersmarket.org

May-Oct

Blair, Washington County

Farmers Market

103 S. 12th St Wed, 3:30-6pm; Sat, 8am-noon
Diane Vanecek (402) 426-5971

May-Oct

Geneva, Fillmore County

Revitalize Geneva Farmers Market

Courthouse lawn 5:30-7pm Lori Loontjer (402) 759-
1155 www.ci.geneva.ne.us

May-Oct

Holdrege, Phelps County

Farmers Market

Phelps County Courthouse lawn Fresh produce,
baked goods and more. Thursdays, 4:30-7:30pm
Cindy Lindstrom (308) 263-4111

May-Oct

Shubert, Richardson County

Living History Demonstrations at Indian Cave State Park

2 mi. N. & 5 mi. E. on Hwy 64E Take part in
candlemaking, soapmaking, broommaking or
blacksmithing. Certain weekends, 9am-4:30pm,
Park entry permit required Kevin Holliday (402) 883-
2575 www.outdoornebraska.org

May-Sep

Alliance, Box Butte County

Farmers Market

3rd St & Box Butte Ave Sat, 8am-1pm; Tue, 5-
6:30pm Sandy Dietrich (308) 762-6640
www.boxbutteddevelopment.com

May-Sep

Burwell, Garfield County

Farmers Market

717 G St Noon-3pm MaraLee Udell (308) 346-5069
www.visitburwell.org

May-Sep

Harrison, Sioux County

Artists-in-Residence Weekends

Agate Fossil Beds National Monument, 301 River
Rd Purchase Native American artwork and see
artists at work. Fri-Sun, 9am-5pm, Park entrance fee
Lil Mansfield (308) 436-9772 www.nps.gov/agfo

May-Sep

Nebraska City, Otoe County

Farmers Market

8th St & Corso Thursdays, 3:45-6:30pm (402) 873-
6654 www.nebraskacity.com

May 2

Hastings, Adams County

Chapparral's Motorcycle Poker Run

Highland Park Motorcycles drive to 5 check points to
draw a card. The best poker hand at the end wins.
Registration 8:30am-12:30pm, \$5 Doug Mick (402)
463-6889 www.hastingschapparrals.blogspot.com

May 2

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Lincoln Czech Festival

The Moose Lodge Family Center, 4901 N. 56th St
Czech baked goods including kolaches, crystal
items for sale, ethnic songs, singing, dancing and
the crowning of the Czech queen. 9am-6pm, Free
Deb Vocesek (402) 438-1903
www.lincolnczechs.org

May 2

Lincoln, Lancaster County

34th Annual Lincoln/National Guard Marathon

Begins on UNL Campus, 14th & Vine Sts Marathon
and half marathon running event. Expecting 10,000
participants in 2010. Begins at 7am, \$50 half, \$70
full. Free for spectators. Nancy Sutton-Moss (402)
435-3504 www.lincolnrun.org

Listing of Events by Month

May 2

Omaha, Douglas County

Omaha Symphonic Chorus: World Music Celebration

1st United Methodist Church, 70th & Cass Featuring choral music traditions from across the globe. 3pm, \$12-\$15 Belinda Greiner (402) 496-0602 www.omahasymphonicchorus.org

May 4

Omaha, Douglas County

An Evening with Garrison Keillor

Holland Performing Arts Center, 1200 Douglas St Enjoy his famous soothing voice, Midwestern musings and dry humor. 7:30pm (402) 345-0606 www.omahaperformingarts.org

May 4

Omaha, Douglas County

Tuesday Musical Concert Series

Joslyn Art Museum, Witherspoon Concert Hall Featuring Alisa Weilerstein, cellist who has technical brilliance and meltingly beautiful sound. 7:30pm, \$5.75-\$35 Janet Cockle (402) 551-2234 www.tuesdaymusicalomaha.org

May 7

Omaha, Douglas County

Enter the Haggis

Holland Performing Arts Center, 1200 Douglas St Rousing Celtic rock with frenetic hooks. 8pm, \$25-\$30 (402) 345-0606 www.omahaperformingarts.org

May 7-23

Bellevue, Sarpy County

The Odd Couple

Bellevue Little Theatre, 203 W. Mission Ave Female version of the Neil Simon comedy. Fri-Sat, 8pm; Sun 2pm, \$7.50-\$15 (402) 291-3809 www.bellevuelittletheatre.com

May 7-8

Kearney, Buffalo County

Nebraska Wine & Jazz Festival

25th St & Central Ave Showcasing Nebraska wines and jazz music by Nebraska musicians. 5-11pm, \$20 Jan Anderson (308) 237-3114 www.kearneyfoundation.org

May 7-8

North Platte, Lincoln County

Honky Tonk BBQ Festival

Sanctioned competition and BBQ feed, live entertainment and more. Free Rob Mandeville (308) 534-6650 www.honkytonkbbq.com

May 7-Aug 1

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Sheldon Statewide Exhibit

Sheldon Museum of Art, UNL Campus - 12th & R Sts An exhibit of artworks that begins its journey at the Sheldon Museum of Art and later travels to Nebraska communities throughout the year. Tue-Sun, Free Tom White (402) 472-2461 www.sheldonartgallery.org

May 7-Sep 5

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Voyage to Italia: Americans in Italy in the 19th Century

Sheldon Museum of Art, UNL Campus - 12th & R Sts Tue-Sun, Free Tom White (402) 472-2461 www.sheldonartgallery.org

May 8

Bellevue, Sarpy County

Free Day

Fontenelle Forest Nature Center, 1111 Bellevue Blvd N. Enjoy guided hikes, critter encounters and special activities for all ages. 8am-5pm Anna Beaty (402) 731-3140 www.fontenelleforest.org

May 8

Omaha, Douglas County

Flute Showcase

UNO Strauss Performing Arts Center, 6001 Dodge St Carl Nielsen's Flute Concerto busts the stereotype that the flute is a delicate instrument. 7pm, \$30 (402) 342-3560 www.omahasymphony.org

May 8

Omaha, Douglas County

Florence Days Celebration and Pioneer Days at the Florence Mill

History Museums, Mormon Trail Center & Florence Mill Parade, old-fashioned games, art, music, living history demonstrations and historical storytelling. Linda Meigs (402) 551-1233 www.historicflorence.org

May 8-9

Burwell, Garfield County

High School Rodeo

Garfield County Rodeo Grounds, Hwy 11 & 91 Teenagers from across the state compete in rodeo events. Cory Hughes (308) 346-5638 www.visitburwell.org

May 8-9

Omaha, Douglas County

The Four Bitchin' Babes

Holland Performing Arts Center, 1200 Douglas St Sharp social commentary, a pinch of PMS and outrageously fun harmonies from 4 gifted singer-songwriters. Sat, 8pm; Sun, 2pm, \$25-\$30 (402) 345-0606 www.omahaperformingarts.org

May 9

Avoca, Cass County

Schoolhouse Performance Series featuring Greenblatt & Seay

Old Avoca Schoolhouse, 504 Garfield St The feminist manifesto. 2:30pm, \$1-\$5 (402) 275-3221 www.greenblattandseay.com

May 9

North Platte, Lincoln County

Spring Fling at Cody Park

Cody Park Enjoy a day of crafts. 10am, Free (308) 535-6772

May 10

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Abendmusik: Lincoln, Chanticleer

First Plymouth Church, 2000 D St 7pm, \$15-\$25 Josh Norris (402) 476-9933 www.abendmusik.org

May 11

Grand Island, Hall County

Nebraska Children's Groundwater Festival

Central Community College Educating youth through lively entertainment, interactive displays and tangible experiments. Water magicians, folksingers, storytellers and raptor shows. 8am-4pm Kelly Cole (308) 385-6282 www.cpnrd.org

May 14

Grand Island, Hall County

Sara Evans in Concert with Josh Gracin

Heartland Events Center, 700 E. Stolley Park Rd 8pm, \$25-\$55 (800) 745-3000 www.heartlandeventscenter.com

May 14-15

Omaha, Douglas County

Beethoven's Fifth

Holland Performing Arts Center, 1200 Douglas St Hold on tight as the thunderous power of Beethoven's Fifth Symphony grabs you and refuses to let go. 8pm, \$15-\$75 (402) 342-3560 www.omahasymphony.org

May 14-16

Brownville, Nemaha County

Marilyn Maye

Concert Hall 7:30pm, 2pm on Sun, \$15-\$20 (402) 825-3331 www.brownvilleconcertseries.com

May 14-Sep 12

Grand Island, Hall County

Timeless Animals Great and Small

Stuhr Museum of the Prairie Pioneer, 3133 W. Hwy 34 Focusing on the role of animals in our pioneer history and how our ancestor's lifestyle was tied to animals. Mon-Sat, 9am-5pm; Sun, noon-5pm, \$4-\$6 Kari Stofer (308) 385-5316 www.stuhrmuseum.org

May 15

Grand Island, Hall County

Island Area Cruisers Annual Charities Tour

Area Walmarts Show and shine tour. Cars, trucks and motorcycles welcome. 7:30am-4:30pm, \$15 participants, free for spectators Debra Rinke (308) 382-2958

May 15

Kearney, Buffalo County

Nebraska Outdoor Expo

Fort Kearny State Recreation Area, S.E. of Kearney Connect with the outdoors through hands-on experiences including outdoor cooking, boat rides, fishing, camping games, conservation and more. 9am-6pm, Park entry permit required Julia Plugge (402) 471-6009 www.nebraskaoutdoorsexpo.org

May 15

Waverly, Lancaster County

Camp Creek Antique Machinery Swap Meet and Flea Market

17550 Bluff Rd Swap meet and flea market, pancake breakfast and good food all day long. 6:30am-3pm, Free Joyce Schlick (402) 726-2487 www.ccthreshers.org

May 15-16

Omaha, Douglas County

Spring Into Spring Festival

Lauritzen Gardens, Omaha's Botanical Center, 100 Bancroft St A celebration of spring. Plant sales, live music, children's activities, tours and more. Daily, 9am-5pm, \$3-\$7 Maureen Thomsen (402) 346-4002 www.lauritzengardens.org

May 15-16

Sargent, Custer County

Spring Fling Motorcycle Rally

105 E. Jesse St Sat, 9am-10pm; Sun, 6:30am-1pm, Free Lyle Runyan (308) 215-0071 www.geocities.com/Loup88/LVRR.html

May 15-Sep 11

Omaha, Douglas County

Playing with Fire Concert Series

Lewis & Clark Landing, 515 Riverfront Dr Blues and rock concert on Omaha's riverfront. Select Saturdays, 4-10:30pm, Donation Jeff Davis (402) 960-1001 www.playingwithfireomaha.net

May 21

Grand Island, Hall County

Stuhr Under the Stars

Stuhr Museum of the Prairie Pioneer, 3133 W. Hwy 34 The outdoor movie night returns for a second year. Games, great food and historical activities before the film. 7:30-10pm, \$8-\$10 Martha Paulsen (308) 385-5316 www.stuhrmuseum.org

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May 21-23

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Lincoln Quiltfest 2010 - Inspired by Nature

Weary Center at Nebraska Wesleyan University, 53rd & Huntington Sts More than 300 quilts on display, vendor mall, children's activities, demonstrations and more. Fri-Sat, 9am-5pm; Sun, 11am-5pm, \$5-\$6 (402) 483-6533 www.lincolnquiltersguild.org

May 21-23

Ponca, Dixon County

Becoming an Outdoors-Woman at Ponca State Park

88090 Spur 26 E Learn a variety of outdoor skills through hands-on and one-on-one instruction. Outdoor cooking, camping, archery, kayaking and more. Visit website for fee info Jennifer Wolff (402) 755-2284 www.outdoornebraska.org

May 21-Aug 13

Papillion, Sarpy County

Starlight Movie Series

Sumtur Amphitheater, 11691 S. 108th St Family entertainment under the stars. Featuring select movies throughout the summer on Friday evenings. Preshow 7pm. Movie begins 9:30pm. (402) 597-2041 www.sumtur.org

May 22

Alexandria, Thayer County

Kids Free Fishing Clinic at Alexandria State Recreation Area

560 Ave & 718 Rd For youth ages 16 and under. Fishing poles, bait and tackle is provided. Free hot dog cookout and prizes. 9:30am-3pm, Park entry permit required Rick Ball (402) 729-5777 www.outdoornebraska.org

May 22

Omaha, Douglas County

Hubbard Street Dance Chicago

Orpheum Theater, 409 S. 16th St One of the top modern dance companies in the world. 8pm (402) 345-0606 www.omahaperformingarts.org

May 22

Panama, Lancaster County

Pig Iron Days

Main St Antique tractor pull, show and shine, bounce house, barrel train rides, quilt display, concessions and more. Events begin at 10am, Free Jay Nutter (402) 788-2789 www.lincoln.ne.gov/towns/panama/index.htm

May 26-Aug 22

David City, Butler County

Nancy Bass: My Virginia Farm

Bone Creek Museum of Agrarian Art Paintings challenge the viewer to see the individual personalities of her Virginia farm animals against a rapidly changing agrarian landscape. Reception May 28, 5-8pm, Free Amanda Mobley (402) 367-4488 www.bonecreek.org

May 27-July1

Papillion, Sarpy County

Swingin' in the Summer Concert Series

Sumtur Amphitheater, 11691 S. 108th St Featuring concerts on Thursday nights throughout summer. Gates open at 6pm, show begins at 7:30pm. (402) 597-2041 www.sumtur.org

May 28

Humboldt, Richardson County

Memorial Day Celebration

City-wide Celebrate with a BBQ, ice cream social and Happy Cheks Polka band. (402) 862-2821

May 28

Springview, Keya Paha County

Keya Paha Fiddlers Jamboree

Springview grade school gym Enjoy an evening of music! Fiddles, guitars, drums, banjos, singing, yodeling and poetry. 7pm, Donation Bob Keneston (402) 497-2157

May 28-30

Superior, Nuckolls County

Victorian Festival

Downtown Celebrate the heritage of Superior. Parade, children's activities, food, Victorian tea honoring Lady Vestey, craft fair, dances and more. Free (402) 879-3419 www.victorianfestival.info

May 28-June 13

Manley, Cass County

Heaven Can Wait

Lofte Community Theatre Live performance of this comedy/drama about a man who's not quite ready to call it quits. Thu-Sat, 7:30pm; Sun, 2, \$16 (402) 234-2553 www.lofte.com

May 28-Sep 7

Comstock, Custer County

An Exaltation of Dilapidation Art Exhibit

Gallery: Art & Creativity Center Paintings of photography of Nebraska places that once provided shelter for our ancestors. Free (308) 215-0076

May 29

Beatrice, Gage County

Monumental Fiddling Contest

Homestead National Monument of America, 8523 W. NE Hwy 4 A day of music and competition with fiddlers and musicians of all ages. 2-9pm, Free Susan Cook (402) 223-3514 www.nps.gov/home

May 29

Maywood, Frontier County

Old Glory Days

Community hall A hometown celebration including a parade, children's activities, waterslide, fun and food. 8am-4pm, Free Harold Brummer (308) 530-2434

May 29

Meadow Grove, Madison County

American Indian Heritage Feather & Dance Celebration

507 Hwy 275 W. Demonstrations, food and craft vendors, dancers and drum performances, Old Time Country Music Concert and more. (402) 582-4866

May 29

Odell, Gage County

5th Annual Run for Fun

City park Take part in a 1 mile walk, 5K run or 10K run through the scenic countryside. Prizes and drawings following the event. 7am Jill Scheele (402) 766-4377 www.odell-nebraska.us

May 29

Omaha, Douglas County

Divertimento

University of NE - Omaha Strauss Performing Arts Center, 6001 Dodge St Enjoy this musical smorgasbord that has something for everyone. 7pm, \$30 (402) 342-3560 www.omahasymphony.org

May 29-30

Ogallala, Keith County

11th Annual Shut Up & Fish Tournament

Lake McConaughy Darrell Marrow (308) 778-5879

May 29-31

Bridgeport, Morrill County

Camp Clarke Raiders Spring Rendezvous

Shooting Range & Campgrounds, 5 mi. S. of town on Hwy 88 Blackpowder rifle, shotgun and pistol shoots for adults and children, hawk and knife throws, games, raffles, food and more. Step back into the 1800s. 8am-6pm, \$30/camp includes all events Nancy Eichthaler (308) 262-1080 www.campclarkeraiders.com

May 29-31

Brownville, Nemaha County

53rd Annual Spring Flea Market

Main St More than 200 vendors from across the United States. Antiques, flowers, jewelry, collectibles and food. 8am-6pm, Free Jim Doty (402) 825-3731 www.brownville-ne.com

May 29-31

Wisner, Cuming County

Elkhorn Valley Arts Unlimited Art Fest

Rainbow Dance Studio, 909 Ave E Enjoy artwork of all kinds displayed by area artists. Sat, 9am-5pm; Sun, 1-5pm; Mon, 9am-noon, Free Peggy Liermann (402) 529-3338 www.wisnerareachamberofcommerce.com

May 29-Dec 31

Ashland, Saunders County

Anakin Skywalker's Pod Racer

Strategic Air & Space Museum, 28210 W. Park Hwy Exhibition on loan from the Museum of Flight in Seattle, WA. Daily, 9am-5pm (402) 944-3100 www.sasmuseum.com

May 29-Sep 12

Omaha, Douglas County

Adventures with Clifford The Big Red Dog

Omaha Children's Museum, 500 S. 20th St Visitors begin their journey aboard the Birdwell Island Ferry and discover Clifford's Big Ideas. (402) 342-6164 www.ocm.org

May 30

Hastings, Adams County

Plein Air Art Event

Prairie Loft Center Art demonstrations, workshops, food and art vendors, wine tastings and more. 10am-4pm (402) 463-0565 www.prairieloft.org

May 30

Plattsmouth, Cass County

Art in the Yard

Parmelee House B&B, 520 Ave F Artists from the Midwest region come for this one-of-a-kind art show. Musical entertainment, food and more than 40 artists. 10am-4pm, Free Carroll Hudson (402) 296-0525 www.artintheyard.com

May 30

Red Cloud, Webster County

Kerry Grombacher

Red Cloud Opera House Kerry Grombacher returns to the Red Cloud Opera House stage for his Highway 281 tour. 2pm (402) 746-2641 www.willacather.org

May 30

Wolbach, Greeley County

Bull Riding Event

301 Center St Bull riding and street dance. Vicki Vang (308) 246-5296 www.wolbach.com

May 30-June 30

Belvidere, Thayer County

Through the Years - Wedding Gowns Display

Thayer County Museum, 110 Ninth Ave Dresses and grooms suits from 1890s to present day, photos, refreshments and a replica 1890s wedding cake. Wed & Sun, 1-4pm, \$1 Annette Laber (402) 768-2327

Listing of Events by Month

May 30-Sep 5

Omaha, Douglas County

Omaha Sunday Market

Aksarben Village, 67th St between Mercy & Center Sts (402) 345-5401

May 31

Grand Island, Hall County

Memorial Day Celebration

Stuhr Museum, 3133 W. US Hwy 34 A flag-led procession to the rural cemetery, remembrance ceremony, live music, military salutes and more. 9am-5pm, \$8-\$10 Martha Paulsen (308) 385-5316 www.stuhrmuseum.org

May 31

Kimball, Kimball County

Memorial Day Celebration & High Point Car Show

City-wide (308) 235-3782 www.ci.kimball.ne.us

May 31

Omaha, Douglas County

Family Fun Day Cruise

River City Star, 151 Freedom Park Rd Half price sightseeing cruises from 1-2pm. Bring the entire family for a 1 hour cruise along the Omaha riverfront. 1-2pm, \$4-\$6 Tami Bader (402) 342-7827 www.rivercitystar.com

May 31

Papillion, Sarpy County

Memorial Day Celebration

Shadow Lake Towne Center, Hwy 370 & 72nd St A celebration for the entire family. Free Alicia Peters (402) 537-0046 www.shadowlakeshopping.com

June

Anselmo, Custer County

Big Sky Jubilee

Main St Community celebration with a parade, ball games, street dance, historic tours and more. Free Tammy Burnet (308) 749-2263

June

Aurora, Hamilton County

21st Annual A'ROR'N Days

Downtown square Live entertainment, food, children's games, grand parade, car and motorcycle show and more. Jayne Mann (402) 694-3111 www.auroranebraska.com

June

Cedar Rapids, Boone County

Community Picnic

City park Annual community picnic event. 8am-1am (308) 358-0845

June

Gering, Scotts Bluff County

Pony Express Reride at Scotts Bluff National Monument

Scotts Bluff National Monument Reenactment of the ride from St. Joseph, MO to Sacramento, CA. \$5 per vehicle (308) 436-9700 www.nps.gov/scbl

June

Gothenburg, Dawson County

United Way Garden Walk

27th & Lake Ave, Rodeo Arena Tour gardens and visit with local retailers about gardening supplies and hints. 2pm, \$8/person or \$15/2 people Karla Blasé (308) 537-2693 www.gothenburgdelivers.com

June

Scotia, Greeley County

Puttin' Off the Peak

Happy Jack Peak & Chalk Mine, NE Hwy 11 Hit a golf ball from the peak to a flag on a sandbar in the river. 1-5pm, \$2 per shot or 3 shots for \$5 (308) 245-3276 www.happyjackchalkmine.com

June 1

Grand Island, Hall County

Foreigner, Styx and Kansas - United in Rock Tour

Heartland Events Center, 700 E. Stolley Park Rd The tour of the summer unites 3 iconic bands. 7pm, \$44.75-\$55.75 plus taxes and fees (800) 745-3000 www.ticketmaster.com

June 1-29

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Jazz in June

Sheldon Museum of Art, UNL Campus - 12th & R Sts Enjoy jazz in the great outdoors! Downtown market held from 5-9pm, 30 minute UNL garden tours available at 6pm, and featured jazz musicians each week. Tuesdays beginning at 5pm, Free Tom White (402) 472-2461 www.jazzinjunel.com

June 1-30

Grand Island, Hall County

Places and Open Spaces

Prairie Winds Art Center, 112 W. 3rd St Featuring the latest works of Nebraska artists, photographer Carrie Monroy and painters Tresa Haney and Mary Smith. Artist reception June 4, 5:30pm, Free Charl Mitchell (308) 381-4001 www.prairiewindsart.com

June 1-Aug 17

Omaha, Douglas County

Tempo of Twilight

Lauritzen Gardens, 100 Bancroft St Enjoy outdoor concerts in the beauty of the garden. Select Tuesdays, 6-8pm, \$3-\$7 Maureen Thomsen (402) 346-4002 www.lauritzengardens.org

June-Aug

Beatrice, Gage County

Farmers Market

5th St between High & Ella The summer's best produce from local farmers along with baked goods and live entertainment. Thu, 5-7pm, Free (402) 223-3244 www.mainstreetbeatrice.org

June-Aug

Bellevue, Sarpy County

Annual Quilt Show

Sarpy County Historical Museum, 2402 Clay St Featuring more than 50 quilts. \$.50 - \$2 Gary Iske (402) 292-1880

June-Aug

Gering, Scotts Bluff County

Evening Campfire Ranger Programs

Scotts Bluff National Monument Programs in the outdoor amphitheater range from the national historic trails to the geology of Scotts Bluff National Monument. Tues & Fri at 8pm, Free Valerie Newman (308) 436-9700 www.nps.gov/scbl

June-Aug

Seward, Seward County

Farmers Market

Downtown square Wed, 5-8pm & Sat, 7am-noon, Free Carol Albrecht (402) 641-4670 www.sewardne.com

June-Oct

Broken Bow, Custer County

Farmers Market & Summertime in the Square

City Square Park Fresh produce, baked goods and entertainment. Thursdays, 2-7pm, Free Gary Lawrence (308) 872-5609 www.brokenbow-ne.com

June-Oct

Minden, Kearney County

Farmers Market

Parking lot of 5th Street IGA, 125 E. 5th St 8am-noon, Free Bill Huenemann (308) 832-1741

June-Sep

Neligh, Antelope County

Farmers Market

Courthouse lawn Saturdays, 9-11am Joann Hauptmann (402) 887-4271

June-Sep

Oxford, Furnas County

Farmers Market

Mondays 5-7pm (308) 824-3511 www.oxfordnebraska.com

June-Sep

Tekamah, Burt County

Historical Photo Display of Burt County

Burt County Museum, 319 N. 13th St Donation Bonnie Newell (402) 374-1505 www.huntel.net/community/burtcomuseum

June 3

Red Cloud, Webster County

Susie Thorne

Red Cloud Opera House Jazz vocalist Susie Thorne returns to the Red Cloud Opera House stage. (402) 746-2641 www.willacather.org

June 4-13

Beatrice, Gage County

Perfect Wedding

Community Players Theatre, 412 Ella St A bouquet of riotous laughter in this wedding day farce. Fri-Sat, 7:30pm; Sun, 2pm, \$8-\$13 Jamie Ulmer (402) 228-1801 www.beatricecommunityplayers.com

June 4-20

Omaha, Douglas County

Disney's High School Musical 2

The Rose Theater, 2001 Farnam St Join in the drama when the entire Wildcats gang shows up to work at the Lava Springs Country Club. Thu-Fri, 7pm; Sat-Sun 2pm, \$20-\$25 (402) 345-4849 www.rosetheater.org

June 4-5

Bridgeport, Morrill County

Camp Clarke Days

Prairie Winds Community Center, 428 Main St Community celebration commemorating the Camp Clark Bridge built to facilitate travel across the North Platte River. Free Jack Berg (308) 262-0525 www.bridgeport-ne.com

June 4-5

Henderson, York County

14th Annual Christian Music Festival

School Theater, 1501 Front St & City Park, 14th & Cedar Sts Presenting more than 20 groups from across the United States with a wide variety of styles. Homemade German foods and excellent music. Fri, 2-8pm; Sat, 10am-9pm, Donation Kelsey Bergen (402) 723-4228 www.telcweb.net/cmf

June 4-5

Tekamah, Burt County

Hoot Gibson Memorial Rodeo

Rodeo arena on NE Hwy 32 Enjoy the rodeo on Fri and Sat night, queen contest and children's contests. 8pm nightly, \$5-\$8 Kenneth Nelson (402) 213-9409

June 4-6

Alliance, Box Butte County

Thunder on the Prairie Rod Run

Central Park Classic cars, street rods and trucks on display along with a dance, poker run and award program. Fri, 6pm; Sat, 8am; Sun, 8:30am, Free Tony Roby (308) 762-2718 www.385cruisers.com

Listing of Events by Month

June 4-6

Brownville, Nemaha County

Lonnie McFadden

Concert Hall 7:30pm, 2pm on Sun, \$15-\$20 (402) 825-3331 www.brownvilleconcertseries.com

June 4-6

Curtis, Frontier County

Spring Fling Quilt Retreat

NCTA Campus, 404 E. 7th St Enjoy this 3 day retreat featuring classes, a trunk show, merchant mall, food and fun for ages 8 to 108. Begins Fri at 3pm Penny Peterson (308) 367-5419

June 4-6

Loup City, Sherman County

Polish Days

Downtown Ethnic food, parade, carnival, melodrama, Polkas and more in Nebraska's Polish Capital. Kim Knaub (308) 745-0430 www.loupacity.com

June 4-6

Niobrara, Knox County

Niobrara Bridging the Shores Celebration

Main St Car cruising and show, fun run/walk, hot dog eating contest, road rally, street dance, parade and more. Kim Swanson (402) 857-3515 www.niobararane.com

June 4-6

Omaha, Douglas County

Nebraska State Chili Cook-Off

151 Freedom Park Rd Event kicks-off with a cruise on the River City Star. Cooking competition, public tastings and live entertainment. Noon-3pm, \$5 Sue Dudzik (402) 572-1479

June 4-6

Omaha, Douglas County

Pink Martini

Holland Performing Arts Center, 1200 Douglas St Get ready to swing, samba and groove with pop sensation Pink Martini. Fri-Sat, 8pm; Sun, 2pm, \$15-\$80 (402) 342-3560 www.omahasymphony.org

June 4-6

Scottsbluff, Scotts Bluff County

Sugar Valley Rally and Arts & Crafts Festival

115 Railway St & Frank Park on Broadway The rally consists of a gathering of vintage cars along with a precision driving contest. Artists and crafters from a 7-state area sell their wares. Bands and live entertainment Fri, 12:30pm; Sat, 8am; Sun, 7:30am, Free Bev Overman (308) 632-3642 (877) 632-3381 www.sugarvalleyrally.com

June 4-6

Springview, Keya Paha County

Keya Paha County's Q125 Celebration

City-wide Enjoy the 125th anniversary of Keya Paha County. Three day celebration includes horse drawn parades, antique tractors, car show, threshing bee and more. Free Kevin Schoettger (402) 497-2725 www.springview-ne.com

June 4-6

Upland, Franklin County

Faces Rally

Downtown and city park Motorcycle fun run, games, vendors, bands and street dance. \$15 John Eckhardt (308) 350-3126 www.facesrally.org

June 4-6

Wymore, Gage County

23rd Annual Sam Wymore Days

City-wide Join in the fun and celebrate the founding of Wymore. Parade, rodeo and free entertainment. (402) 674-3205 www.visitbeatrice.com

June 4-Aug 27

Papillion, Sarpy County

Sounds of Summer 2010

Shadow Lake Towne Center, Hwy 370 & 72nd St Free concerts every Friday night from the area's best musical artists. Fri, 6:30-8:30pm, Free Alicia Peters (402) 537-0046 www.shadowlakeshopping.com

June 4-Aug 29

Omaha, Douglas County

Landscapes from the Age of Impressionism

Joslyn Art Museum, 2200 Dodge St Featuring 40 luminous pictures that are among the Brooklyn Museum's finest impressionist works of art. Tue-Sat, 10am-4pm; Sun, noon-4pm, \$4-\$7 (402) 342-3300 www.joslyn.org

June 5

Ashby, Grant County

Family Fun Day

Main St Kite flying, turtle racing, goat roaping, horseshoe pitching, free BBQ and street dance. 12:30pm-midnight, Donations Linda Lacy (308) 577-6766

June 5

Burwell, Garfield County

Calamus Carp Tournament

Calamus Reservoir 8am Dick Watts (308) 346-5695 www.visitburwell.org

June 5

Dannebrog, Howard County

23rd Annual Grundlovsfest (Danish Days)

Downtown Enjoy a parade, games, crafts, remote control car races, Danish dancers and more. Don't miss delicious Danish foods including Aebleskiver, Rullepolse, Danish cheeses and more. 8am-10pm, Free Shirley Johnson (308) 226-2237 www.dannebrog.org

June 5

Harrison, Sioux County

Sioux County High School Rodeo

Fairgrounds Featuring competitors from across the state. 8pm, \$5 Trisha Hunter (308) 668-2515 www.visitnorthwestnebraska.com

June 5

Hastings, Adams County

South Central Nebraska Czech Festival

VFW Club, 1053 Wabash Ave A celebration of Czech heritage. Accordion jam session, Polka dancing, ethnic foods and more. 11am-10pm, Free Debra Polacek (402) 772-3451 www.nebraskaczechs.org

June 5

Holdrege, Phelps County

A Country Tour

7 mi. N. on Hwy 183 A day out in the country beginning with a visit to the Red Shed to pick up a tour map. Unique gift ideas, artisan products, vintage collectibles, demonstrations, landscaping and more. 9am-3pm, tours starting every half hour, \$5, tkts available at Bruning State Bank Carol O'Connell or Christi Anderson (308) 991-3783 www.creativehandedredshed.com

June 5

Lewellen, Garden County

4th Annual Beef Cook-Off

17 Ranch Winery Wine tasting, music and beef cook-off event. Ellen Burdick (308) 778-5542 www.17ranchwinery.com

June 5

Oconto, Custer County

Blowin the Doors Off BBQ

Fire Hall All you can eat BBQ from 10 vendors. Live music and entertainment. 5pm-1am, \$10/adult Clifford Badgley (308) 858-4409

June 5

York, York County

Family Fun Day and Barn Dance

Wessels Living History Farm, 1 mi. S. of I-80 Exit 353 on US Hwy 81 Kite flying contests, games, silent movies with free popcorn and barn dance. 1pm until dark, \$2-\$5 Dale Clark (402) 710-0682 www.livinghistoryfarm.org

June 5-27

Red Cloud, Webster County

Quilt Show

Webster County Historical Museum, 721 W. 4th St 1-5pm, Donation Joyce Terhune (402) 746-2444

June 5-6

Fairbury, Jefferson County

Rock Creek Trail Days

Rock Creek Station State Historical Park, 57426 710 Rd Living history demonstrations, Pony Express runs and Hickok-McCanles re-enactment, blacksmithing, storytelling and more. Buffalo stew cookout Sat, 7pm. Daily, 9am-5pm, Park permit required. Wayne Brandt (402) 729-5777 www.outdoornebraska.org

June 5-6

Fremont, Dodge County

St. Patrick's Annual Fun Festival

St. Patrick's Church, 4th & Union Sts Enjoy a delicious pork supper Fri night from 4:30-7:30pm. Sunday features live music all day, games of chance, bake sale, food vendors and homemade ice cream and pie. Sat, 4:30-7:30pm; Sun, 11am-7pm, Free Alvina Heimann (402) 721-6067 www.stpatsfremont.org

June 5-6

Minden, Kearney County

Pioneer Village Days

Harold Warp Pioneer Village, 138 E. US Hwy 6 Inventors from small towns and large cities display their newest concepts conceived in garages, sheds and kitchens - brought to life with dedication. 10am-4pm Marshall Nelson (308) 832-1181 www.pioneervillage.org

June 5-6

Wilsonville, Furnas County

Wilsonville Rodeo

Hwy 89 & Main St Calf roping, steer wrestling, team roping, ladies breakaway, barrels and other rodeo events. Daily at 1:30pm, \$3-\$6 Carolyn Park (308) 349-4336

June 6

Hastings, Adams County

Summer Celebration

Hastings Museum, 14th St & Burlington Ave Kick off your summer by spending the day at the museum. New exhibits, large-format film and planetarium show. Noon-3pm, \$8.50-\$12.50 (800) 508-4629 www.hastingsmuseum.org

June 6

Omaha, Douglas County

Rose Show

Lauritzen Gardens - Omaha's Botanical Center, 100 Bancroft St Rose garden tours, Omaha Rose Society information booth, Ask the Rosarian booth and more. 1:30-5pm, \$3-\$7 (402) 346-4002 www.lauritzengardens.org

June 6

Surprise, Butler County

18th Annual Tractor Pull

Blue River Park Classic tractors, open class and pure stock pulls - 1958 and older. Noon Susan Doehling (402) 526-2391

Listing of Events by Month

June 6-12

Burwell, Garfield County

BRAN - Bicycle Ride Across Nebraska

Ride travels through Nebraska, with a stop in Burwell on June 9 This week long tour provides an up-close and personal journey through the unheralded beauty and charm of Nebraska. Itinerary pending at time of event listing, check website for updates. (402) 397-9785 www.bran-inc.org

June 6-27

Gering, Scotts Bluff County

Music at the Monument

Scotts Bluff National Monument, 190276 Hwy 92 W. Featuring musical performers and styles relating to the monument and trail history. Every Sun at 7pm, Free (308) 436-9700 www.nps.gov/scbl

June 6-8

Sargent, Custer County

Choke Cherry Jamboree & Sargent Fair

Main St Slam Demolition Derby, carnival, parade, pit spitting contest, Little Miss Choke Cherry contest and more fun events. Jackie Ropers (308) 527-4114 www.sargentne.com

June 6-Dec 31

Hastings, Adams County

Grand Canyon Adventure: River at Risk

Hastings Museum Lied Super Screen Theatre, 14th St & Burlington Ave Take an exhilarating river raft trip on America's most iconic river and take in the grandeur of the Grand Canyon. \$5.50-\$7.50 (800) 508-4629 www.hastingsmuseum.org

June 6-Oct 31

Hastings, Adams County

I Spy Hidden Museum Treasures

Hastings Museum, 14th St & Burlington Ave Play the child's game I Spy and discover hidden treasures from the museum's vaults. Tue-Thur, 9am-5pm; Fri-Sat, 9am-8pm; Sun, noon-6pm, \$5-\$7 (800) 508-4629 www.hastingsmuseum.org

June 7-11

Red Cloud, Webster County

Exploritas Red Cloud: Willa Cather's Window to the World

Willa Cather Foundation Immerse yourself in the world of Pulitzer Prize-winning author Willa Cather. The nation's largest living memorial to an American author analyzes the literature, life, times and history of Willa Cather (866) 731-7304 www.willacather.org

June 9-10

Kearney, Buffalo County

Nebraska Ranch and Home Show

Viaero Event Center Learn what's new in the ranching industry along with inovative home items. 10am-8pm, Free Gene & Dixie DeBolt (402) 244-5471 www.kearneyevents.com

June 9-13

Lexington, Dawson County

7th Annual Plum Creek Rodeo and Plum Creek Days

Fairgrounds and various locations A celebration of the community's heritage. Rodeo on June 11 & 12, 7:30pm, \$5-\$8 Julie Harris (308) 324-5504 www.visitlexington.org

June 10-12

Grand Island, Hall County

Nebraska State Truck Driving Championships

Fonner Park, 700 E. Stolley Park Rd The state's best drivers demonstrate their talent and skills in this competition. Free Sue Wilson (402) 476-8504 www.nebtrucking.com

June 10-13

Blair, Washington County

Gateway to the West Days

City-wide Four day festival including Taste of Blair, Jazz in the Park, street dance, craft show, car show, carnival and more. Harriet Waite (402) 533-4455 www.blairchamber.org

June 10-13

Oxford, Furnas County

Turkey Days

City-wide Children's activities, turkey feed, parade, dances and more. Mike Quinn (308) 824-3827 www.oxfordnebraska.com

June 10-13

Verdigre, Knox County

42nd Annual Kolach Days

City-wide Czech food, music, parade, variety show, tractor ride, fun run/walk, street dances and more. Patrick Svec (402) 668-2236 ci.verdigre.ne.us

June 10-Aug 19

Columbus, Platte County

Lawn Chairs on the Square

Frankfort Square Park, 13th St & 26th Ave Various musical events presented by local and professional talent. Free entertainment for children. Thursdays, 7-8:30pm, Free Kevin Johnson (402) 564-1307 www.columbusdowntown.com

June 10-July 3

Omaha, Douglas County

Rabbit Hole by David Lindsay-Abaire

The Downtown Space, 614 S. 11th St This 2007 Pulitzer Prize winning play charts the bittersweet search for comfort in the darkest of places. Thu-Sat, 7:30pm; Sun, 6pm, \$20-\$25 (402) 345-1576 www.bluebarn.org

June 11-12

Alliance, Box Butte County

Treasure Trek 2010

Communities in western Nebraska from I-80 to Hwy 20 Enjoy church bazaars, fall festivals, flea markets, specialty shops and more. 7am-5pm Dixie Nelson (308) 762-1520 www.treasuretrekne.com

June 11-13

Crawford, Dawes County

11th Annual Intertribal Gathering at Fort Robinson State Park

3200 US Hwy 20 Exciting cultural festival with authentic Native American arts and crafts along with traditional powwow dancing, drum and song. 9am-10pm, Park permit required Ron Moore (308) 632-1311 www.panhandlercd.com

June 11-13

Franklin, Franklin County

Bargains on Byways

South-central Nebraska communities A 3-day yard sale covering a 300-mile radius. Antiques, collectables and beautiful scenery. 6pm-midnight, Free Pat Ayres (308) 470-0499 www.bargainsonbyways.com

June 11-13

Milligan, Fillmore County

23rd Annual June Jubilee

Centennial Garden, 6th & L Sts Live bands, parade, rib contest, sports tournaments, Polka music and more. \$3-\$7 Scott Oliva (402) 629-4446 www.milliganne.org

June 11-13

Newman Grove, Madison County

Shell Creek Valley Days

City-wide Music festival, bull riding, street dance, classic car show and more. Shari Auge (402) 447-6444 www.ci.newman-grove.ne.us

June 11-13

Omaha, Douglas County

Taste of Omaha

Heartland of America Park and Lewis & Clark Landing A festival of great foods and entertainment! Music, rides, food, crafts, exhibits and more. Fri-Sat, 11am-11pm; Sun, 11am-8pm, Free Mike Mancuso (402) 346-8003 www.showofficeonline.com

June 11-13

Ponca, Dixon County

Becoming an Outdoors Family at Ponca State Park

88090 Spur 26 E Event to reconnect families through outdoor experiences and hands-on learning. Kayaking, camping, outdoor cooking, fishing, outdoor survival and more. See website for fees Jennifer Wolff (402) 755-2284 www.outdoornebraska.org

June 11-13

Springfield, Sarpy County

Springfield Days & Bugeater Flea Market

Sarpy County Fairgrounds and Main St Fireworks, carnival, BBQ contest and more. Flea market hosts more than 80 vendors showcasing collectibles, arts and crafts and antiques. Free Jill Snodgrass (402) 935-7917 www.springfieldnebraska.com

June 12

Battle Creek, Madison County

Battle Creek Family Fun Days

Main St Street dance, fun run/walk, talent show, parade, BBQ, farmer olympics, fireworks and music on Main Street. 8am-midnight Wayne McCormick (402) 750-8844

June 12

Eustis, Frontier County

31st Annual Wurst Tag

Downtown Celebration of the town's German heritage with German food, polka music, sausage stuffing, car show, contests and demonstrations. \$5 (308) 486-5582 www.eustisnebraska.com

June 12

Fairbury, Jefferson County

Run, Row, Rock & Roll Adventure Race

Burkley Wellness Center Take part in the multi-event adventure race. 8am-6pm, \$65 participants, free for spectators Craig Bontrager (402) 729-6139 www.nscracing.com

June 12

Grand Island, Hall County

Stuhr Goes to the Dogs

Stuhr Museum, 3133 W. US Hwy 34 Agility shows, sheep dog demonstrations and more await the dog lover and non-lover alike. 9am-5pm, \$8-\$10 Martha Paulsen (308) 385-5316 www.stuhrmuseum.org

June 12

Sidney, Cheyenne County

Gold Rush Days

Legion Park Frontier village, arts and crafts, entertainment, square dancing, shoot-out, chuckwagon cookout and activities for young and old. Free Larry Fraas (308) 254-5161 www.cheyennecountychamber.com

June 12

St. Paul, Howard County

Women's Day Out

Nature's Acres, 810 Twin Forks Ln A fun day outdoors. Participate in kayaking, shooting sports, ATV riding, dutchoven cooking, self defense and much more. 8:30am-5pm, \$50 Peggy Griffin (308) 750-2018 www.womenintheoutdoors.org

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June 12-13

Columbus, Platte County

Antique Tractor, Gas Engine Show and Flea Market

Pawnee Park Displays of farm equipment, antiques and old-time gas engines. Corn shelling, blacksmithing and other demonstrations. Sat, 8am-dusk; Sun, 8am-5pm, Free Bob or Diane Silva (402) 564-3669

June 12-13

North Platte, Lincoln County

Heritage Days

Lincoln County Historical Museum, 2403 N. Buffalo Bill Ave Food and craft vendors, historic demonstrations, entertainment and a working antique farm show. 10am-4pm, Free James Griffin (308) 534-5640 www.lincolncountymuseum.org

June 12-13

Omaha, Douglas County

River City Mixed Chorus Presents: A Comedy Tonight

First United Methodist Church, 7020 Cass St A Vaudeville-style concert of music and comedy from the 20s and 30s. Sat, 7pm; Sun, 4pm, \$10-\$20 Mark Van Kekerix (402) 341-7464 www.rcmc.org

June 12-20 & 24-26

North Platte, Lincoln County

NEBRASKAland Days

City-wide & Buffalo Bill Arena Explore the lure of the West including PRCA rodeos, top name concerts, parades, athletic contests, food events, micro brew festival, boxing and many more. (888) 313-5606 www.nebraskalanddays.com

June 12-Oct 16

Columbus, Platte County

Farmers Market

Frankfort Square Park, 13th St & 26th Ave Saturdays, 7:30am-noon, Free Kevin Johnson (402) 564-1307 www.columbusdowntown.com

June 13

Madison, Madison County

Trails & Rails Festival

Madison County Museum Visit the exhibits regarding the history of settlement in Madison County. 9am-4pm, Free Carol Robertson (402) 992-1221 www.madisoncountyhistory.org

June 13

Omaha, Douglas County

Munroe Meyer Garden Walk

Various gardens Garden walk featuring unique gardens. 9am-5pm, \$12-\$15 Deb Marasco (402) 359-1864 www.mmigardenwalk.com

June 13

Papillion, Sarpy County

Nebraska Wind Symphony

Sumtur Amphitheater, 11691 S. 108th St Gates open 6pm, show begins at 7pm (402) 597-2041 www.sumtur.org

June 13-19

Chappell, Deuel County

Flag Days

City-wide Week long celebration with parades, food vendors, car show, street dance, ball games and more. (308) 874-9912 www.chappellchamber.com

June 13-Sep 26

Omaha, Douglas County

Florence Mill Farmers Market

9102 N. 30th St Sundays 11am-3pm, Free Linda Meigs (402) 551-1233 www.historicflorence.org

June 14-Aug 31

Boys Town, Douglas County

Batter Up - Baseball at Boys Town

Village of Boys Town Hall of History, 14057 Flanagan Blvd Displays showcase baseball's important role in sports at Boys Town. Autographed bats, balls and photographs of famous players including Babe Ruth, Lou Gehrig and Johnny Bench. 10am-4pm, Free Tom Lynch (402) 498-1186 www.boystown.org

June 15

Kearney, Buffalo County

4th Annual Trivia Contest & Soup Dinner

Trails & Rails Museum, 710 W. 11th St 6:30-9:30pm, \$10/person Jennifer Murrish (308) 234-3041 www.bchs.us

June 15-17

Burwell, Garfield County

Burwell Summer Fun Daze

Town square DC Lynch Carnival and BBQ. 5pm, Free (308) 346-5210 www.visitburwell.org

June 15-20

Beatrice, Gage County

Homestead Days

City-wide & Homestead National Monument of America, 8523 W. NE Hwy 4 Interactive opportunities to experience pioneer life with traditional demonstrators. Nationally-known entertainers, antique tractor and car shows and much more. Free (402) 223-2338 www.visitbeatrice.com

June 15-20

Norfolk, Madison County

Great American Comedy Festival

Johnny Carson Theatre at Norfolk High School and various venues In honor of Johnny Carson, the king of late-night television. Comedians from across the US will compete for top prizes. The week ends with a Gala Showcase featuring nationally known talent. Lora Young (888) 371-2932 www.greatamericancomedyfestival.com

June 16-20

Columbus, Platte County

KS-NE Chautauqua - Bright Dreams, Hard Times: America in the Thirties

Pawnee Park, W. of US Hwy 81 on 8th St Scholars present characters including Will Rogers, Franklin Delano Roosevelt, Huey Long and more. Adult and youth workshops, youth camp, programming and discussions. Free Kristi Hayek (402) 474-2131 www.knchautauqua.org

June 16-Sep 6

Beatrice, Gage County

To Serve and Protect - Summer of 2010 Exhibit

Gage County Museum, 101 N. 2nd St Tue-Sat, 9am-5pm; Sun, 1:30-5pm, Free Lesa Arterburn (402) 228-1679 www.beatricene.com/gagecountymuseum

June 17-18

Clarkson, Colfax County

22nd Annual Mid-States Rodeo

City park All the great rodeo events plus wild horse races and sheep riding for the kids. 7:30pm Chuck Hamernik (402) 892-3457 www.ci.clarkson.ne.us

June 17-18

Sargent, Custer County

Spring Clean Junkathon

Thompsons Treasures Antiques, Hwy 183 Flea market and city-wide sales. Free Tami Thompson (308) 214-0358 www.thompsonstreasuresinc.com

June 17-20

Papillion, Sarpy County

Papillion Days 2010

City park, 84th & Lincoln Sts Celebration for everyone including live bands, vendors, dances, carnival and parades. Thu, 5-10pm; Fri, 3-10pm; Sat, 10am-10pm; Sun, noon-6pm, Free Racheal Cascio (402) 331-3917 www.papilliondays.org

June 18-19

Ashland, Saunders County

17th Annual Testicle Festival

Round the Bend Steakhouse, 30801 E. Park Hwy - 2 mi. E. of I-80 Exit 426 Enjoy 2 nights of live bands! Rocky mountain oysters, burgers, hot dogs, funnel cakes and all your favorite beverages available. Daily, 5pm-12:30am, \$5 Ron Olson (402) 944-9974 www.roundthebendsteakhouse.com

June 18-19

Hastings, Adams County

21st Annual Cottonwood Festival

Brickyard Park, 1919 W. D St Fine arts festival with fine art and performing arts, children's activities and Nebraska wine tastings. Fri, 4-9pm; Sat, 10am-9pm Donna Hastings (402) 461-8412 www.cottonwood-festival.org

June 18-19

Kearney, Buffalo County

Dancers of the Plains Dance & Drum Exhibition

Great Platter River Road Archway, directly off I-80 Exit 272 Two days full of Native American education featuring a dance and drum exhibition, Native American food, crafts and exhibits. 10am-4pm, Donation Ronnie O'Brien (308) 237-1000 www.archway.org

June 18-19

Lewellen, Garden County

18th Annual Ash Hollow Historical Pageant

Ash Hollow State Historical Park, 3 mi. S.E. on Hwy 26 A cast of 30 perform "The Lighter Side of Life on the Oregon Trail." History is told through music and drama. Tours, displays and chuckwagon supper. Dinner 5-6:30pm; show begins at 6:30pm, Park permit required, \$6-\$9 for supper Jean Jensen (308) 778-5548 growgardencounty.org

June 18-19

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Celebrate Lincoln International Festival

Downtown on N St, between 12th & 14th Sts Downtown Lincoln becomes an international vacation. Discover food, music, colorful merchandise, interactive activities and two stages of entertainment. Daily, 11am-11:30pm, \$3-\$5 Deb Johnson (402) 434-6902 www.celebratelincoln.org

June 18-19

Wisner, Cuming County

Great Nebraska Tractor Ride

Begins in River Park A two day tractor ride from Wisner to Norfolk and back again. Participating tractors generally at least 25 years old. 8am, \$50 to participate Judy Mauch (402) 372-5423 www.nebraskatractorride.com

June 18-20

Bennington, Douglas County

Bennington Daze

Main St BBQ, children's games, movie, parade, street dance, beer garden and sports tournaments. Mindi Laaker (402) 238-2375 www.bennington-ne.com

June 18-20

Bloomfield, Knox County

Bloomfield Appreciation Dayz

City-wide A variety of events for all ages! (402) 373-2272 www.ci.bloomfield.ne.us

Listing of Events by Month

June 18-20

Clarkson, Colfax County

48th Annual Czech Festival

Pine St Entertainment for all ages including ethnic foods, music and dancing. Martin Kluthe (402) 892-3210 www.ci.clarkson.ne.us

June 18-20

Creighton, Knox County

Berry Pepper Days

City-wide Fun activities for all ages including a street dance, car show, parade, ribfest cook-off and more. Free Steve Morrill (402) 358-5654 www.creighton.org

June 18-20

Decatur, Burt County

Riverfront Days

Main St Fish fry, dance, parade, old-fashioned carnival at the museum, pancake breakfast, horseshoe tournaments and more. Linda Dunning (402) 349-5593 www.ci.decaturne.us

June 18-20

Deshler, Thayer County

Deshler Daze

City-wide BBQ, dance, fishing contest, pancake breakfast, remote control model plane fly-in, Little Tuggers tractor pull, road rally and other fun events. Julie Buescher (402) 365-4260 www.deshlernebraska.com

June 18-20

Holdrege, Phelps County

Swedish Days - Midsommerfest

City-wide Parade, car show, children's games, Swedish foods and more. Roseann Swanson (308) 995-6628 www.justthelacenebraska.com

June 18-20

Mead, Saunders County

Mead Days

City-wide Parade, fireworks, sports tournaments, car show, antique tractor pull, children's games, fun run, music and more. Fri, 5pm-midnight; Sat, 8am-1am; Sun, 9am-3pm (402) 624-2255

June 18-20

Ohiowa, Fillmore County

Ohiowa Days

City-wide Activities for all ages including softball games, children's games and street dance. Heather Sieber (402) 295-2585 www.visitfillmorecounty.org

June 18-20

Santee, Knox County

Santee Sioux Powwow

Powwow Grounds Music, dancing, crafts and food. Free (402) 857-2772

June 18-20

Stromsburg, Polk County

Swedish Midsommar Festival

Downtown & Buckley Park Swedish tractor pull, road race, 3 on 3 basketball, chicken and pork chop BBQ, smorgasbord on Sat, parade, Swedish dancers, viking entertainment, soap box derby, Taste of Sweden and more. (402) 764-2561 www.stromsburgnebraska.com

June 19

Albion, Boone County

Smoke N Chrome

Downtown 4th & Main Sts Show and shine, food, fun, refreshments, music and more. All rides and bikes welcome! 9am-2pm, Donation (402) 395-2151

June 19

Broken Bow, Custer County

Demolition Derby

Custer County Fairgrounds Gates open 4pm. Heats at 6:30pm, main event 8pm, \$8-\$15 Glenn Grint (308) 215-0241 www.teamupr.com

June 19

Chadron, Dawes County

Chadron State Park's 89th Anniversary Celebration

15951 S. Hwy 385 Craft show, arts in the park, archery shoot, paddle boat races, antique tractor show, wagon rides, games, demonstrations, live music and 89 cent meals. Park permit required. (308) 432-6167 www.outdoornebraska.org

June 19

Imperial, Chase County

Celebration on the Square

Courthouse square A celebration of arts and music featuring entertainment, crafts, food and children's activities. 9am-1pm, Free Claudette Swanson (308) 882-3964 www.chasecounty.com

June 19

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Shrine Bowl of Nebraska

Memorial Stadium Football game showcasing Nebraska's premier high school seniors. 6:30pm, \$5-\$50 Ronell Nemecek (402) 477-8908 www.neshrinebowl.org

June 19

Sargent, Custer County

Dream of a Youth Get Outdoors Day

Hilltop Hunting Lodge Outdoor learning opportunities for children including archery, air rifle shooting, trap shooting, campfire cooking, casting pond, nature trails and habitat discovery. 10am-3pm Jackie Ropers (308) 527-4114 www.sargentne.com

June 19-20

Chadron, Dawes County

Ride the Ridge

Pine Ridge Ranger District Riders ride their own horses through the scenic Pine Ridge. 9am, Free (308) 432-4401 www.chadron.com

June 19-20

Humboldt, Richardson County

Humboldt Area Motor Sports Garden Tractor Pull

(402) 862-2821

June 19-20

Ord, Valley County

35th Annual Father's Day Rod Run

Downtown Dad's can spend a day in the past, enjoying classic cars. Burn out on Sat night, Sun show and shine and parade of cars. Sat, 2pm; Sun, 8am, Free Trent Proskocil (308) 728-9950 www.ordnebraska.com

June 19-20

Ponca, Dixon County

Father's Day Fossil Hunt and Fish Fry at Ponca State Park

88090 Spur 26 E Annual paleontologist guided fossil dig. Treasure hunt, children's fossil boxes, fish fry and other activities. Fish fry on Sun, Call for fees Jennifer Wolff (402) 755-2284 www.outdoornebraska.gov

June 19-30

Omaha, Douglas County

NCAA Men's College World Series

Rosenblatt Stadium, I-80 Exit 454 Eight of the nation's top college baseball teams travel the road to Omaha in hopes of taking home the championship title. (402) 554-4404 www.cwsomaha.com

June 19-Sep 12

Omaha, Douglas County

Lasting Light: 125 Years of Grand Canyon Photography

Durham Museum, 801 S. 10th St This exhibit explores the beauty of the Grand Canyon. (402) 444-5071 www.durhammuseum.org

June 20

Crawford, Dawes County

Father's Day Trail Ride

Ash Creek Ranch Trail ride and dutch oven supper. Bring your own horse. 1:30pm, \$15-\$25 (308) 665-1580 www.nebraskahighcountryranchride.com

June 20

Gothenburg, Dawson County

National Pony Express Reride at Ehmen Park Station

Ehmen Park Station See the riders exchange the mochilla. 8am, Free (308) 539-0804 (800) 482-5520 www.gothenburgdelivers.com

June 20

Plattsmouth, Cass County

Old-Fashioned Father's Day in the Park & Old-Time Baseball

Historic Rhylander Park, 615 Lincoln Ave Turn back the clock and experience Father's Day the old-fashioned way. Old-time baseball game complete with vintage uniforms, games, ice cream social, Civil War stories and more. 9am-4pm (baseball begins at 1pm), Free (402) 321-1663 www.plattsmouthmainstreet.com

June 20

Sargent, Custer County

Heartland MX Series Racing

Sandhills Motorsport Park, 401 S. 7th St Gates open 8am, racing 11am, \$5 entry, \$25-\$30 competitors Lisa Grint (308) 215-0564 www.heartlandmotocross.com

June 20-27

Pender, Thurston County

Pender Q125 Celebration

317 Main St and city-wide Events for all ages including vintage baseball, games, dancing, parade, scavenger hunt, ice cream social, concerts and much more. View website for details. www.penderq125.com

June 21

Alliance, Box Butte County

Carhenge Summer Solstice

Carhenge, 2 1/2 mi. N. of town Carhenge celebrates Summer Solstice with an open house and assorted activities. Free Micheala Williams (308) 762-1520 www.carhenge.com

June 22-24

Petersburg, Boone County

Carnival Days

City-wide Something for everyone! (402) 386-5551 www.ci.petersburg.ne.us

June 22-27

Omaha, Douglas County

Disney's Beauty and the Beast

Orpheum Theater, 409 S. 16th St This smash hit musical is based on the Academy Award winning animated feature film. (402) 345-0606 www.omahaperformingarts.org

June 23-27

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Tour de Nebraska Bicycle Adventure

Begins and ends in Lincoln Five day non-competitive adventure for cyclists traveling throughout Nebraska. \$225 Susan Rodenburg (402) 421-1401 www.tourdenebraska.com

Listing of Events by Month

June 23-27

North Platte, Lincoln County Chautauqua 2010 North Platte

Cody Park The 2010 theme is Bright Dreams, Hard Times: America in the Thirties. Viewing current issues of the world through the historical lens of the 1930s. Free Don Kurre (308) 532-1688
www.chautauquanorthplatte.com

June 24-27

Wisner, Cuming County

Lions Club Rodeo and Junior Livestock Show

River Park Full rodeo with bull riding, concessions, livestock shows and activities for all ages. Rodeo Fri-Sat, 7:30pm, Rodeo: \$5-\$8 Peggy Lierman (402) 529-3338
www.wisnerareachamberofcommerce.com

June 25

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Cornhusker State Games Opening Ceremonies

Seacrest Field, 70th & A Sts Olympics style celebration featuring the parade of athletes, outstanding entertainment, Mystery Torch lighter, family activities and more to kick off Cornhusker State Games. Tami McLaughlin (402) 471-2544
www.cornhuskerstategames.com

June 25-26

Hastings, Adams County

Flatwater Folk Festival

Prairie Loft Center for Outdoor & Ag Learning, 4705 DLD Rd A celebration of music, art, culture and fun for all ages. Songwriting classes, live concerts on 2 stages, music jams, art and craft vendors, children's activities and more. Amy Sandeen (402) 463-0565
www.prairieloft.org

June 25-26

Sutton, Clay County

Dugout Days

City-wide Carnival, children's activities, car show, old-fashioned parade and BBQ. Free Amy Skalka (402) 773-4233 www.suttonchamber.org

June 25-26

Tecumseh, Johnson County

Johnson County Heritage Days

Courthouse square Historical festival including exhibits and memorabilia, 5K fun run/walk, quilt show, vintage fashion show, pie baking contest, car/truck/tractor show and more. Fri, 5:30-9:30pm; Sat, 8am-4pm, Free Keith Shuey (402) 335-3371
www.tecumsehne.com

June 25-27

Grand Island, Hall County

Central Nebraska Ethnic Festival

Downtown on 3rd St Celebrate cultural diversity through ethnic foods, entertainment and educational activities. Fri, 5pm-midnight; Sat, 10am-midnight; Sun, noon-5pm, Free Lynnette Marshall (308) 385-5444 www.grand-island.com/ethnic

June 25-27

Meadow Grove, Madison County

Corn Daze

City-wide A salute to agriculture! Activities include a street dance, children's games, petting zoo, BBQ, garden tractor pull, parade, fireworks, pancake feed and concert. Bev Boyer (402) 634-2354

June 25-27

Norfolk, Madison County

Summerfest 2010

Divots DeVent Center, 4200 W. Norfolk Ave Annual music festival with local, regional and national acts performing daily. Daily, 3pm-midnight, Free Shawn Severson (402) 379-3833
www.divotsconcertseries.com

June 25-27

Omaha, Douglas County

Summer Arts Festival

Gene Leahy Mall on Farnam St, 10th to 14th Sts Featuring 135 of the nation's finest visual artists, two stages of continuous entertainment and a large hands-on children's fair. Fri-Sat, 11am-8pm; Sun, 11am-5pm, Free Elizabeth Balazs (402) 345-5401
www.summerarts.org

June 25-27

Wolbach, Greeley County

77th Annual Wolbach Days Celebration

301 Center St 51st annual rodeo, children's games, marathon, street dance, BBQ and more. Vicki Vang (308) 246-5296 www.wolbach.com

June 26

Cambridge, Furnas County

Concerts on the Creek

72184 Cross Creek Rd Enjoy a wonderful evening of fine food and chamber music over looking the Republican River Valley. 5-9pm, \$30 Becky Van de Bogart (402) 429-8227 www.tccp.us

June 26

Grand Island, Hall County

Heartland Celebration of Freedom

4100 W. 13th St A community independence celebration with fireworks, food, carnival and concert. 5-10pm Scott Jones (308) 384-5038
www.thirdcitychristian.org

June 26

Springfield, Sarpy County

Spring Wine & Blues Festival at Soaring Wings Vineyard

17111 S. 138th St Featuring top blues bands, great food and award-winning wine. Hot air balloon launches close out the day. Noon-9pm, \$15-\$20 Jim Shaw (402) 253-2479 www.soaringwingswine.com

June 26

Weeping Water, Cass County

Limestone Independence Day

City-wide Events include donkey polo, fossil find, BBQ, fireworks display, street dance, canoe races, duck races, fishing contest, rock olympics and more. 8am-midnight, Free Kay Gerdes (402) 267-5152
www.weepingwaternebraska.com

June 26-27

Hyannis, Grant County

Windmill Country Celebration

Main St Fishing tournament, junior rodeo, trail ride, car show, street dance and more. Marshall Garner (308) 458-2319

June 26-27

Norfolk, Madison County

Mid-America Working Terrier Trial

Ta-Ha-Zouka Park Trials consist of conformation, agility and go to ground racing. 8:30am-5pm, Free Patti Podliska (402) 371-4699
www.midamericaworkingterrier.com

June 26-27

Ogallala, Keith County

Tropical Dreams Regatta

Lake McConaughy Bill McBride (308) 284-2400

June 26-29

Bertrand, Phelps County

Bertrand Days and Bertrand Fair & Rodeo

Fairgrounds and city park Enjoy 4-H events, sand volleyball games, parades, tractor pull, water games and 2 nights of rodeo. 8am-10pm Jane Tonjes (308) 472-5264

June 27

Henderson, York County

Garden Tours

Henderson Mennonite Heritage Park Self guided tours of area gardens. Tickets available at Heritage Park. 4-7pm, \$10 Marjorie Smith (402) 723-5793
www.hendersonheritage.org

June 27

Kearney, Buffalo County

Frank House Edible Flowers Tea

Frank House, University of NE - Kearney Demonstration, recipe book, house and garden tours. 2-4pm, \$15 KrisAnn Sullivan (308) 865-8284
www.frankhouse.org

June 27

Merriman, Cherry County

Sod House Sunday at Bowring Ranch State Historical Park

NE Hwy 61, 1 1/2 mi. N., 2 mi. E. Old-fashioned fun including a sing-a-long, team penning, goat roaping, children's games, wagon rides, tours, food and entertainment. 8am-5pm, Free Diane Burress (308) 684-3428

June 29-July 1

Butte, Boyd County

Pancake Days

Main St Parade, DC Lynch Carnival, tractor pull, games and free pancakes for all! Cindy Schroetlin (402) 775-2164

July

Bridgeport, Morrill County

Morrill County Fair

Fairgrounds on Hwy 88 Geraldine Reuter (308) 262-1139

July

Crawford, Dawes County

Peabody Hale Fiddlers Contest

City park Contest centered around fiddle music and includes vocal, piano and other string instruments. Horreshoe contest, arts and crafts and children's games. Events begin at 8am, \$2-\$3 Marietta Richardson (308) 665-2175
www.crawfordnebraska.biz

July

Potter, Cheyenne County

Potter Melodrama

Community hall Classic melodrama performed by local talent. 6pm (308) 254-4030 www.potterne.com

July

Wauneta, Chase County

Wauneta Harvest Fest

Downtown Parade, entertainment, food, crafts, games and more. waunetaharvestfestival.com

July 1-4

Crawford, Dawes County

Western and Wildlife Art Show at Fort Robinson State Park

Fort Robinson State Park Artists from across the U.S. display their western and wildlife themed art. Free Barb Heckman (308) 665-1870
www.outdoornebraska.org

July-Aug

Wymore, Gage County

Farmers Market

McCandless Park Tuesday, 6-8pm Hazel Percival (402) 645-3145

July-Oct

Bassett, Rock County

Farmers Market

Downtown, Memory Lane Park Saturdays, 8am-11am, Free Debbie Seberger (402) 684-3319
www.bassettnebr.com

Listing of Events by Month

July-Sep

Arnold, Custer County

Farmers Market

Community Center parking lot Thursday mornings
Kristi Dvorak (308) 848-2211 www.arnoldne.org

July-Sep

Loup City, Sherman County

Farmers Market

Courthouse Square Saturdays, 8am-noon, Free
(308) 745-0430 www.loupcity.com

July-Sep

Sidney, Cheyenne County

Farmers Market

Courthouse parking lot, 10th & Jackson Sts
Saturdays, 8am-11am Brenda Rusk (308) 249-3779

July 2

Kimball, Kimball County

Crusin Night

Main St (308) 235-3782 www.ci.kimball.ne.us

July 2

Omaha, Douglas County

Bank of the West Celebrates America at Memorial Park

60th & Underwood Sts Featuring live music from local and national groups as well as a fireworks finale. 6-10pm, Free
www.bankofthewest.com/CelebratesAmerica

July 2

Ord, Valley County

VCHS Foundation Golf Tournament

Ord Golf Course, 324 N. 27th St An 18-hole, 4-person scramble. 8am-6pm, Free Becky Ries (308) 728-3011 www.ordnebraska.com

July 2

York, York County

4th Annual Firecracker Frenzy

County fairgrounds York's official Independence Day Celebration features entertainment, children's activities and spectacular fireworks display. 8-11pm, Free Todd Kirshenbaum (402) 362-5531
www.yorkchamber.org

July 2-3

Bridgeport, Morrill County

July 4th Rodeo and Fireworks

Morrill County Fairgrounds Rodeo and fireworks display. (308) 262-1825 www.bridgeportneb.com

July 2-4

Ainsworth, Brown County

Meadville 4th of July Celebration

N. on NE Hwy 7 from Ainsworth Trail ride, parade, fireworks display, BBQ and dance. Mike Gering (402) 497-2440

July 2-4

Crawford, Dawes County

4th of July Celebration and PRCA Rodeo

Downtown & rodeo grounds Enjoy 3 nights of professional rodeo contestants competing for prizes. Parade, live music, food, games and fireworks display on July 4th. (308) 665-1817
www.crawfordnebraska.biz

July 3

Beaver Crossing, Seward County

Childrens Independence Day Parade

Dimery Ave (Main St Children's parade held since 1972. Legion baseball game, concert and fireworks display. 6-9:30pm Mike Stutzman (402) 532-7195
www.beavercrossingne.com

July 3

Brownville, Nemaha County

Freedom Day Celebration

Main St & riverfront area Take part in the 5K, 10K or 1/2 marathon or enjoy the dog show, parade, concert, fireworks display and river boat cruises. 6am-dusk, Free Bob Chitwood (402) 825-3591
www.brownville-ne.com

July 3

Halsey, Thomas County

July Celebration

City park Enjoy a noon meal of spuds and sundaes, children's games, Bingo, cakewalk, turtle races, free BBQ and more. Free Pam Rodocker (305) 533-2288

July 3

Loup City, Sherman County

Sherman Reservoir Fireworks Display

On the dam Dusk Kim Knaub (308) 745-0430
www.shermancountynebraska.com

July 3

Nebraska City, Otoe County

Fireworks Celebration

www.nebraskacity.com

July 3

Oakland, Burt County

Party in the Park

City park Food, beer garden, children's games, fireworks and entertainment. 6pm-midnight, \$5 children's games Kiley Johnson (402) 685-5005
www.ci.oakland.ne.us

July 3

Ogallala, Keith County

Demolition Derby

Keith County Fairgrounds Troy Malone (308) 284-4991

July 3

Winnebago, Thurston County

4th of July Celebration

City-wide Celebrate the birth of our nation with a bang up festival including softball tournaments, mud volleyball, pork BBQ, fireworks and family fun. Free Lesa Gembala (402) 988-2269

July 3-4

Arnold, Custer County

4th of July Blowout

City-wide Fireworks display, parade and activities for all ages. Kristi Dvorak (308) 848-2211
www.arnoldne.org

July 3-4

Geneva, Fillmore County

Celebrate Patriotism

Downtown & fairgrounds Games, street dance, entertainment and a spectacular fireworks display. Valerie Novak (402) 759-3109 www.cityofgeneva.org

July 3-4

Gothenburg, Dawson County

Pony Express Rodeo

Rodeo arena, 27th & Lake Ave Mutton busting, steer wrestling, bronc riding, and calf roping. Fireworks display and BBQ. Rodeo begins at 6pm, \$5-\$7 Anne Anderson (308) 537-3505
www.gothenburgdelivers.com

July 3-4

Lyons, Burt County

Bluegrass Festival

Brink Park, 100 Main St Enjoy music, parade, children's games, antique tractor show, sports tournaments, fireworks, food and contests. Allen Steilmeyer (402) 687-2710 www.cityoflyons.net

July 3-4

Neligh, Antelope County

Old Mill Days and 4th of July Celebration

Riverside Park & Antelope County Airport Scavenger hunt, street dance, parade, greased pig contest, turtle races, pedal tractor contest, motorcycle races and fireworks. Jason Schindler (402) 626-7222 www.neligh.net

July 4

Arapahoe, Furnas County

Prairie Pioneer Days

City-wide Old-fashioned 4th of July complete with parade, children's games, food vendors, softball games and something for all ages. Day ends with the largest fireworks display in southwest Nebraska. Free Tammie Middagh (308) 962-7777
www.arapahoe-ne.com

July 4

Burwell, Garfield County

BBQ and Fireworks Display

Fire Hall, 9th & G Sts BBQ, watermelon feed, games and fire truck rides. 5pm (308) 346-5210
www.visitburwell.org

July 4

Ericson, Wheeler County

July 4th Junior Rodeo

Rodeo grounds Celebrating more than 40 years of junior rodeo, parades and other activities. Events begin at 11:30am, Free Dianna Bock (308) 653-3176

July 4

Fairbury, Jefferson County

Shriners Annual July 4th Flea Market

City park, 5th & Maple Sts Hundreds of vendors fill the park. Food court, parade and fireworks display. Free Wayne Buehler (402) 729-3221
www.visitoregontrail.org

July 4

Gering, Scotts Bluff County

4th of July Fireworks

Scotts Bluff National Monument View the community fireworks display from the top of the monument. Start hike at 7:30pm, Free (308) 436-9700
www.nps.gov/scbl

July 4

Grand Island, Hall County

1890 Independence Day Celebration

Stuhr Museum of the Prairie Pioneer, 3133 W. US Hwy 34 Enjoy a parade down the center of Railroad Town, a patriotic program, pie eating contest and more all-American family fun. 9am-5pm, \$8-\$10 Matha Paulsen (308) 385-5316
www.stuhrmuseum.org

July 4

Hooper, Dodge County

4th of July Celebration

Main St & city park Car show, vendors, fun run, parade, basketball tournaments and fireworks display. Roxanne Meyer (402) 654-3649

July 4

Humboldt, Richardson County

4th of July Celebration

City-wide Mud volleyball tournament, softball tournament, fire truck rides, water fights, children's games, BBQ and fireworks display. Sandy Stalder (402) 862-2821

July 4

Kimball, Kimball County

4th of July Celebration

City-wide (308) 235-3782 www.ci.kimball.ne.us

Listing of Events by Month

July 4

Lodgepole, Cheyenne County

4th of July Fireworks

Ball fields Enjoy the fireworks and softball game. (308) 483-5353

July 4

Minden, Kearney County

Echoes of Independence

Harold Warp Pioneer Village, 138 E. Hwy 6 Celebrate Independence Day as it was celebrated 100 years ago. Old-fashioned carnival games, activities and band concert. 10am-3pm Marshall Nelson (308) 832-1811 www.pioneervillage.org

July 4

Neligh, Antelope County

Neligh Mills Jamboree - I Hear America Singing

Neligh Mill State Historic Site Musical performances featuring the music of four Nebraska traditions. Open air concert, food vendors and fun. 5-8pm, Free (800) 833-6747 www.nebraskahistory.org

July 4

Nelson, Nuckolls County

4th of July Fun Day

Harbine Park Fun run/walk, washer board tournament, horseshoes, sand volleyball, swimming, golf, food and fireworks display. Begins at 7:30am Sandra Schendt (402) 225-4401

July 4

Ogallala, Keith County

4th of July Festival

Western Diamonds Sports Complex Enjoy the biggest fireworks display in western Nebraska. (308) 284-4066

July 4

Oxford, Furnas County

Pork in the Park

City park (308) 824-3511 www.oxfordnebraska.com

July 4

Seward, Seward County

142nd Annual Celebration in Nebraska's Official 4th of July City

City-wide Award-winning family event featuring a grand parade, car show, food alley, live entertainment, craft show, fireworks and more. 7am-midnight, Free (402) 643-4189 www.sewardne.com

July 4

Sidney, Cheyenne County

Ice Cream Social

2200 Legion Park Free ice cream, musical entertainment and activities. 5pm, Free Brenda Rusk (308) 249-3779 www.cheyennecountychamber.com

July 4

Stuart, Holt County

4th of July Celebration

City-wide Parade, street dance, picnic and games in the park for all ages. Stock car races and fireworks display in the evening. (402) 924-3861 www.stuartne.com

July 4

Sutherland, Lincoln County

July 4th Celebration and Rodeo

Rodeo grounds & downtown Enjoy rodeo competitions along with 4th of July activities. (308) 386-4721 www.ci.sutherland.ne.us

July 4

Tekamah, Burt County

4th of July Celebration

Burt County Museum & Main St Events begin with a 10am parade followed by a BBQ, pony rides, water fights, children's games, ball games, museum displays and fireworks display. Donation Bonnie Newell (402) 374-1505 www.huntel.net/community/burtcomuseum

July 4

West Point, Cuming County

4th of July Celebration

City-wide Celebrate and discover all that West Point has to offer! Food, baseball, children's games, fireworks display and more. 4-10:30pm, Free Tina Welding (402) 372-2981 www.westpointchamber.com

July 4-10

Lincoln, Lancaster County

USA Roller Sports - 2010 National Speed Skating Championships

Pershing Center, 226 Centennial Mall S. (402) 483-7551 www.usarollersports.org

July 6-11

Chadron, Dawes County

Q125 Celebration and Fur Trade Days

City-wide A celebration of history, heritage, education, agriculture and more. Cattle drive with wagons and authentic gear, buckskinner's camp, rodeo, BBQ, contests and much more. Emily Klein (308) 432-4957 www.chadron.com

July 6-11

Madison, Madison County

Madison County Fair and Rodeo

Fairgrounds Enjoy 3 nights of rodeo, concerts, carnival, exhibits, food and fun for the entire family. Free Linda Haack (402) 454-2144 www.madisoncountyfair.com

July 6-8

Ainsworth, Brown County

Middle of Nowhere Carnival Days

Main St DC Lynch carnival, food and fun for all ages. 5-11pm (402) 387-2740 www.ainsworthchamber.com

July 8-10

Diller, Jefferson County

114th Annual Diller Picnic

Main St Southeast Nebraska's largest community festival. Mud drags, tractor pulls, carnival, street dance, parade and more. Doug Lottman (402) 793-5865 www.dillerpicnic.com

July 8-11 & 15-17

Papillion, Sarpy County

Sound of Music

Sumtur Amphitheater, 11691 S. 108th St Presented by the Papillion-La Vista Community Theatre. 8pm July 8-11 & 15-17 (402) 597-2041 www.plvcommtheatre.org

July 8-Aug 12

Omaha, Douglas County

Jazz on the Green

Midtown Crossing at Turner Park, 31st & Dodge Streets Outdoor jazz concert series presented by Omaha Performing Arts featuring local, regional and national musicians. Thursdays, 7pm, Free (402) 342-3300 www.jazzonthegreenomaha.com

July 8-Sep 30

Gothenburg, Dawson County

Farmers Market

Lake Ave Thursdays, 4:30-6:30pm, Free Joyce Kolbo (308) 537-3505 www.gothenburgdelivers.com

July 9

Grand Island, Hall County

Moo-Claw

Heartland Events Center, 700 E. Stolley Park Rd Enjoy steak, fresh lobster and live entertainment. 6pm Stephanie Kissler (308) 382-2675 www.heartlandunitedway.org

July 9-10

Arnold, Custer County

17th Annual South Loup River Blues Festival

Old Mill Park This unique blues festival hosts some of the best blues entertainment in the Midwest. Fri show, 8pm; Sat, events begin at noon, \$25 in advance, \$30 at the gate David J Birnie (800) 584-9336 www.southloupbluesfest.com

July 9-10

Henderson, York County

Community Days

City-wide Fun-filled weekend including a show and shine car show, semi-pro invitational art show, Krazy Kart contests, 5K and 10K races, parade, pancake feed and more. Free Kelsey Bergen (402) 723-4228 www.cityofhenderson.org/cdays.pdf

July 9-11

Hastings, Adams County

27th Annual Antique and Collectors Show

Dyer Park, 8 mi. S. of Hastings on US Hwy 281 Featuring tractor pulls, flea market, concessions, small engines, tractor drive and continuous music. Sat, 7am-9pm; Sun, 7am-5p, \$5 Donna Babcock (402) 469-4455 www.pvama.org

July 9-11

Omaha, Douglas County

The O Fest

Shoppes of Legacy, 168th & Center Festival of great foods and live entertainment. Local acts, craft displays, children's activities and wine garden. Sample more than 20 craft brews and hear great music. Fri, 5-11pm; Sat, 11am-11pm; Sun, 11am-8pm, Free (402) 346-8003 www.showofficeonline.com

July 9-11

O'Neill, Holt County

Summerfest

City-wide Rodeo, car show, mud drags, cruise night, art show, Sunday in the Park, entertainment and more. Pat Fritz (402) 336-2355 www.oneillchamber.org

July 9-11

St. Paul, Howard County

Grover Cleveland Alexander Days

City park, 5th St & Howard Ave Celebration of one of Major League Baseball's most prolific players and one of Howard County's famous sons. Car show, drag races, children's activities, street dance and more. Loren Studley (308) 750-7238 www.stpaulnebraska.com

July 9-11

Syracuse, Otoe County

27th Annual GermanFest

Downtown on 5th St Celebrate German heritage. Bed races, veiner dog races, main stage wackiness, ribfest, home brew contest, beer garden and more. Free Rhae Werner (402) 269-7489 www.syracuse.sene.com

July 9-11

Wayne, Wayne County

30th Annual Wayne Chicken Show

City-wide "Egg" citing activities for all! National Cluck-Off, World's Largest Chicken Dance, children's games, omelet feed, fireworks and live entertainment. Free Irene Fletcher (402) 375-2240 www.chickenshow.com

Listing of Events by Month

July 10

Cozad, Dawson County

8th Annual Bands, Brews & BBQs and Triple B Car Show

Veterans Memorial Park Street festival including assorted vendors, live bands, talent show, crafters in the park and children's activities. Judy Andres (308) 784-3930 www.cozadnebraska.net

July 10

Grand Island, Hall County

Wild Horses and Working Wagons

Stuhr Museum of the Prairie Pioneer, 3133 W. Hwy 34 Celebrate the role of horses in our pioneer history with pony rides, a horse breaking demonstration, buggy rides, shoeing demonstrations, a large wagon show and more. 9am-5pm, \$8-\$10 Martha Paulsen (308) 385-5316 www.stuhrmuseum.org

July 10

Gresham, York County

Firemen's Picnic

Downtown Annual celebration featuring a fun run, parade, horseshoe tournaments and BBQ. Free Tera Dey (402) 735-7452

July 10

Kearney, Buffalo County

25th Annual Wagons West Celebration and Fiddle Contest

Trails & Rails Museum, 710 W. 11th St Celebrate the pioneers' trek through Buffalo County with great music and hands-on exhibits. 10am-6pm Jennifer Murrish (308) 234-3041 www.bchs.us

July 10

Red Cloud, Webster County

Republican River Tank Float

Republican River An exciting race down 5 scenic miles of the Republican River in a steel stock tank. Teams of 4-6 people can spend quality family time while you float. (402) 746-3238 www.redcloudguiderock.com

July 10-14

Albion, Boone County

Boone County Fair

Fairgrounds Free Dee Schriver (402) 395-9979 www.boonecountyfair.net

July 11

Brainard, Butler County

Pride and Performance Car Show

Madison St Car, truck, motorcycle and ATV show. 8am-4:30pm, Free Tyler Fortik (402) 545-2511 www.brainardcarclub.org

July 11

Brownville, Nemaha County

Ran Dank, Piano

Concert Hall 2pm, \$15 (402) 825-3331 www.brownvilleconcertseries.com

July 11

Kearney, Buffalo County

39th Annual Art in the Park

Harmon Park Open-air fine arts festival of the highest quality. Live music, demonstrations and food vendors. 9am-5pm, Free (308) 234-2662 www.kearneyartistsguild.com

July 11

Norfolk, Madison County

23rd Annual Northeast Nebraska Toy Show

Northeast Community College, 801 E. Benjamin Ave Buy, sell or trade toys and other items. 9am-4pm, \$3 (402) 379-6210

July 12

Omaha, Douglas County

Lyle Lovett and his Large Band

Holland Performing Arts Center, 1200 Douglas St 7:30pm (402) 345-0606 www.omahaperformingarts.org

July 12-15

Grand Island, Hall County

Fonner Park State 4-H Horse Expo

Fonner Park, 700 E. Stolley Park Rd Nearly 500 qualifiers from across the state compete for the honor of winning best in the state in their class. Events begin at 7:30am, Free Kathy Anderson (402) 472-6414 www.animalscience.unl.edu

July 13

Omaha, Douglas County

Ron Dank, Piano

UNO - Strauss Performing Arts Center 7:30pm, \$35 (402) 825-3331 www.brownvilleconcertseries.com

July 14-18

Grand Island, Hall County

Hall County Fair

Fonner Park, 700 E. Stolley Park Rd Concerts, rides, 4-H events and more. Corby Flagle (308) 379-1653 www.hallcountyfair.com

July 14-18

Lexington, Dawson County

Dawson County Fair

Fairgrounds, 1000 Plum Creek Pkwy 8am-midnight Ann Johnson (308) 324-3600 www.dawsoncountyfair.com

July 15-16

Alliance, Box Butte County

Heritage Days Rodeo

Rodeo grounds Featuring some of the best rough stock in the business. 7pm, \$4-\$8 Dave Timmens (308) 487-1553 www.alliancechamber.com

July 15-18

Gering, Scotts Bluff County

Oregon Trail Days

City-wide Nebraska's oldest continuous celebration featuring parades, entertainment, chili cook-off, international food fair, regional art shows, craft fairs, and a bike race up Scotts Bluff National Monument. Free Chuck Cowan (308) 631-9976 www.oregontraildays.com

July 15-18

Kearney, Buffalo County

Cruise Nite Weekend 2010

City-wide Four days of fun-filled activities including show and shines, BBQs, parade, car stereo competition, grudge drag races, collectible car auction and more. Show and shine at the Archway July 16, 5-8pm. Brad Kernick (308) 440-2941 www.cruisenitekearney.com

July 16-17

Bellevue, Sarpy County

RiverFest: Red, White and Que

Haworth Riverfront Park, NE Hwy 370 & Payne Dr Good food, great music and amazing fireworks in a great setting. Sanctioned BBQ competition and live music festival. Fri, 5pm-1am; Sat, 7am-1am, \$1 Megan Lucas (402) 898-3000 www.bellevuenebraska.com

July 16-17

Doniphan, Hall County

O'Reilly NCRA Late Model Nationals

Mid-Nebraska Speedway, 9551 S. Locust St Two days of super late model racing with drivers from across the Midwest. Fri, 7:30pm; Sat, 7pm Doug Stange (308) 381-0088 www.midnebraskaspeedway.com

July 16-17

Ogallala, Keith County

Relay for Life

North Park Gail Schreiter (308) 289-4433

July 16-18

Ainsworth, Brown County

National Country Music Festival and Nebraska Sandhills Day of the Cowboy

City park Live music, vendors, arts and crafts, food and an Old West parade. Lesley Holmes (402) 387-2740 www.ainsworthchamber.com

July 16-18

Ashland, Saunders County

Stir Up Days

City-wide Parades, carnival, vendors, street dance and more. Free Cheryl Reisen (402) 944-2050 www.historicashland.com

July 16-18

Broken Bow, Custer County

DC Lynch Carnival

Custer County Fairgrounds Carnival and rides for the young and old. 10am-11pm, Free Denise Russell (308) 872-5691 www.brokenbow-ne.com

July 16-18

Dwight, Butler County

Czech Festival

American Legion & Dwight Assumption Church Polka dancing, road rally, parade, games for all ages and delicious food. Free John Lavicky (402) 566-2365

July 16-18

Greeley, Greeley County

Greeley Days Rodeo

100 S. Claire Three nights of rodeo, softball games, children's games, parade and street dances. Travis Johnson (308) 750-9222 www.cnbgreeley.com

July 16-18

Gretna, Sarpy County

Gretna Days

Downtown Events for all ages including a parade, tractor pull, dance, car show and hog roast. (402) 332-3535 www.gretnachamber.com

July 16-18

Omaha, Douglas County

Nebraska Kennel Club Total Dog Experience

Qwest Center Omaha, 10th & Webster More than 1,100 pedigreed dogs representing 100 different breeds. Dogs perform and compete in agility, obedience, rally, conformation, weight pulling, freestyle, meet and greet the breed. Daily, 9am-5pm, \$7 adults, ages 12 and under free Paula Steenson (402) 346-3950 www.nebraskakennelclub.com

July 16-Aug 1

Manley, Cass County

Fiddler on the Roof

Lofte Community Theatre Classic musical about a father and his soon-to-be-wed daughters. Thu-Sat, 7:30pm; Sun, 2:30pm, \$16 Anne Pope (402) 234-2553 www.Lofte.com

July 17

Morrill, Scotts Bluff County

Rod Run and Horse Creek Rendezvous

Morrill city park & Main St Breakfast in the park, 1K and 5K runs, parades, kazoo band, antique tractors and car show, music, entertainment, vendors, BBQ, street dance and beer garden. 6am-midnight, Free Ron Kuncil (308) 247-3132 www.villageofmorrill.com

Listing of Events by Month

July 17

Ord, Valley County

No ORDinary Adventure Race

Race begins and ends in Bussell Park Long and short course endurance race includes biking, running, canoeing and hiking as well as other fitness challenges. 7am-6pm, Registration fee for participants Mike Blaha (308) 728-5922 www.ordnebraska.com

July 17

Papillion, Sarpy County

Frolicking Frog Storytelling Festival

Sump Memorial Library, 222 N. Jefferson Improve your storytelling skills and enjoy a storytelling concert where you can share your stories. 9am-4pm, \$15 full day or \$5 per event Dorothy Bockerman (402) 990-2946 www.omahastorytelling.org

July 17

Western, Saline County

Old Settlers Picnic

City park Classic car show, children's tractor pull, inflatable games, entertainment, street dance and more. 8am-midnight Barbara Schwisow (402) 433-2541

July 17-18

Omaha, Douglas County

Railroad Days

Lauritzen Gardens at 100 Bancroft St & Durham Museum, 801 S. 10th St A celebration of all things train and track. Spend the day visiting some of the area's best railroad-themed attractions. Daily, 9am-5pm, \$10/family for the weekend Maureen Thomsen (402) 346-4002 www.omaharailroaddays.com

July 17-18

Waverly, Lancaster County

Camp Creek Antique Machinery and Threshing Show

17550 Bluff Rd Experience the way life used to be. Steam engines, antique tractors, steam crane, summer kitchen and country store. Demonstrations of corn shelling, buttermaking, plowing and more. Daily, 6am-6pm, \$6 Heidi Cheney (402) 217-9090 www.cctreshers.org

July 17-22

Minden, Kearney County

Kearney County Fair

Kearney County Fairgrounds, N. NE Hwy 10 Free (308) 832-0645 www.mindenne.org

July 18

Brule, Keith County

Evening in the Park

Barton Park Enjoy an evening of gospel music and family fun in the park. Polly Laflan (308) 287-2234

July 18

Grand Island, Hall County

Art in the Park

Stolley Park Live entertainment, food vendors and artists displaying and selling their work. 9am-5pm, Free Alan Lienert (308) 382-8589

July 18

York, York County

Model A's on the Farm

Wessels Living History Farm, 1 mi. S. of I-80 Exit 353 on Hwy 81 Model A drivers compete in the Model A Road-e-o, music of the 20s and 30s, tours, games and much more. 1-4pm, \$2-\$5 Dale Clark (402) 710-0682 www.livinghistoryfarm.org

July 18-23

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Special Olympics 2010 USA National Games

City-wide More than 3,000 athletes will be competing in 14 competitive events. Preceded by the world's largest civilian airlift. Free Sarah Leeth (402) 467-0031 www.2010specialolympics.org

July 20-23

Chadron, Dawes County

Walk in their Boots: The Cowboy Life

Chadron State College & northwest Nebraska Vacation package for families, individuals and couples who want to experience a cowboy's life. Roping, team driving, dutch oven cooking and more. Overnight accommodations and meals included. \$396-\$542/per person. Register by June 15. (800) 242-3766 www.csc.edu/conferencing

July 20-25

Alliance, Box Butte County

Heritage Days 2010

Box Butte Ave A fantastic Frazier Shows carnival, vendors, sports tournaments, entertainment, beer gardens, family night, Sunday in the Park, parade and more. (308) 762-1520 www.alliancechamber.com

July 21-25

Beatrice, Gage County

Gage County Fair

Fairgrounds, 1115 W. Scott St Livestock judging, crafts, carnival and big-name entertainment. Roxie Richter (402) 223-3247 www.beatricene.com

July 21-25

Grand Island, Hall County

Sheriff's Posse Horse Show

Fonner Park, Thompson Arena, 700 E. Stolley Park Rd Quarter horse competition. 8am-6pm, Free Dan Nealon (308) 380-4678

July 22-25

Leigh, Colfax County

Colfax County Fair

Fairgrounds Livestock shows, exhibits, live entertainment, tractor pulls, parade and more. Free Penny Janousek (402) 892-3520 www.colfaxcountyfair.com

July 22-25

Winnebago, Thurston County

Winnebago Powwow - 144th Homecoming Celebration

Powwow Grounds Music, dancing, crafts and food. \$7 (402) 878-2272 www.winnebagotribe.com

July 22-Aug 1

North Platte, Lincoln County

Lincoln County Fair

Fairgrounds, 5015 W. US Hwy 30 A showcase of Lincoln County along with accomplishments in agriculture, 4-H and youth activities. (308) 534-8191 www.lincofair.com

July 23

Grand Island, Hall County

Cowboy Night: An Evening Around the Campfire

Stuhr Museum, 3133 W. US Hwy 34 Evening of cooking demonstrations, ropin' and brandin', live cowboy music, s'more making, wagon rides, games and more country fun with a cowboy flavor. 6-9pm, \$6-\$8 Matha Paulsen (308) 385-5316 www.stuhrmuseum.org

July 23-24

Arthur, Arthur County

Sandhills Summer Jam

205 Kramer Rd Featuring Uncle Lucius, Cory Morrow, Jason Boland and the Stragglers, Jarrod Birmingham and Wade Bowen. Bloody Mary Morning Party, tug-of-war tourneys, beer relays, karaoke contests and more. \$34-\$45 www.zwolf.net/clients/xtmusic/ssj

July 23-25

Bellevue, Sarpy County

Wild West Creations Presents the National Day of the American Cowboy

Berry Farm Event focusing on Nebraska cowboys, BBQ and family fun. Shootouts, covered wagon rides, storytelling and cowboy poetry, John Wayne look alike contest, vendors and more. \$5-\$10 Deb Skinner (402) 933-4099 www.wildwestcreations.net

July 23-25

Brownville, Nemaha County

Jennifer Sheehan

Concert Hall 7:30pm, 2pm on Sun, \$15-\$20 (402) 825-3331 www.brownvilleconcertseries.com

July 23-25

Tilden, Madison County

Prairie Days Celebration

City-wide Antique vendors, Pieces of the Good Life Quilt Show, live entertainment, flowers on Main Street, drag your nag, Sanctioned Cowchip Throw, parade and more. Darrell Wyatt (402) 368-7723 www.tildenprairiedays.com

July 23-28

Loup City, Sherman County

Sherman County Fair

Fairgrounds, NE Hwy 92 Exhibits, demolition derby, BBQ and more. (308) 745-1513 www.loupacity.com

July 23-Nov 7

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Mind & Matter: National Textile Exhibition

Sheldon Museum of Art, UNL Campus - 12th & R Sts Free Tom White (402) 472-2461 www.sheldonartgallery.org

July 24

Exeter, Fillmore County

Fireman's BBQ and Street Dance

City-wide (402) 759-4910

July 24

Fremont, Dodge County

Blowin' Cancer Away

Bryson's Airboat Tours, along the Platte River Fun for the entire family including airboat rides, kid-friendly games and activities for all ages. Event benefits cancer patients served by Children's Hospital & Medical Center. (402) 968-8534 www.nebraskaaairboatstours.com

July 24

Grand Island, Hall County

The BIG Shoot

Heartland Public Shooting Park Sporting clay fundraiser. Team competitions, youth and adult competitions, prizes and fun. Begins at 7:30am Rhonda Veleba (308) 384-3456 www.bbbsgi.org

July 24

Grand Island, Hall County

Locust Cruise

Sonic Drive-In, 2117 S. Locust St Large car show with discounted food, free giveaways and plenty of fun. Car show begins at 5pm (308) 381-5511

July 24

Papillion, Sarpy County

Barbara and Frank Concert

Sumtur Amphitheater, 11691 S. 108th St Gates open 6pm, show begins at 8pm (402) 597-2041 www.sumtur.org

July 24

Wausa, Knox County

Annual Pork Chop BBQ Celebration

Gladstone Park Enjoy a pork chop BBQ with all the trimmings, live entertainment and silent auction. 5pm, \$14 Heather Carlson (402) 586-2266 www.mywausanews.com

Listing of Events by Month

July 24-25

Naper, Boyd County

Dakota Indian Powwow

N. of town Powwow activities, crowning of the princess, softball games and plenty of good food. Free Velda Stahlecker (402) 832-5356

July 25

Louisville, Cass County

Last Hot Sunday in July

Main St Festival featuring music, food and a show and shine car and truck show. Noon-4pm, Free Nancy McManis (402) 234-3715
www.louisvillenebraska.com

July 25

Shelton, Buffalo County

Lincoln Highway Day

Main St Classic car show, antique tractors and delicious food. 9am-4pm, Free Beverly Thomas (308) 647-6617

July 25-29

Holdrege, Phelps County

Phelps County Fair

Fairgrounds, 1308 2nd St Bullriding, mutton busting, demolition derby, carnival and more. Free Jeff Carlson (308) 995-4724 www.holdrege.org

July 25-Aug 8

Lincoln, Lancaster County

USA Roller Sports - 2010 National Artistic Skating Championships

Pershing Center, 226 Centennial Mall S. (402) 483-7551 www.usarollersports.org

July 26-31

Burwell, Garfield County

Nebraska's 89th Annual Big Rodeo and Garfield County Frontier Fair

Rodeo grounds, S. NE Hwys 11 & 19 Homemaking and livestock exhibits, agricultural machinery, commercial vendors and more. Big Rodeo features professional rodeo clowns, riders and cowboys. Rodeo July 29-31, 7:30pm nightly (308) 346-4200
www.nebraskasbigrodeo.com

July 26-31

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Meadowlark Music Festival

Various locations in Lincoln and across the state Classical music fills the air for a week each summer. (402) 477-2555
www.meadowlarkmusicfestival.com

July 27-Aug 1

Crete, Saline County

Saline County Fair

Tuxedo Park Livestock shows, rodeo, figure 8 racing and more. (402) 826-5106
www.salinecountyfair.org

July 28-Aug 1

Humboldt, Richardson County

Richardson County Junior 4-H Fair

Fairgrounds Youth 4-H exhibits and projects. Kerry Fritz (402) 245-4324 www.richardson.unl.edu

July 28-Aug 1

McCook, Red Willow County

2010 Red Willow County Fair

Fairgrounds Fair with NSRA rodeo Fri-Sat. Free Debby Lafferty (308) 345-4650
www.redwillowcountyfair.com

July 29-Aug 1

Wayne, Wayne County

Wayne County Fair

Fairgrounds, W. on Hwy 35 Louis Lutt (402) 375-9335 www.thewaynecountyfair.com

July 30-31

Minden, Kearney County

MAADays

Downtown square Food vendors, 3 on 3 basketball tournaments, bed races, live entertainment, antique tractor show and more. Free Marcy Brandt (308) 832-1811 www.mindenne.org

July 30-31

Sidney, Cheyenne County

Cabela's Sidewalk Celebration

One Angler Ln Dance with live bands, food and assorted vendors, games and activities for all ages, lumberjack contests and more. Begins at 8am, Free Connie Carrillo (308) 255-8844 www.cabelas.com

July 30-Aug 2

Thedford, Thomas County

Thomas County Fair and Bull Fest

Fairgrounds Bull fest, BBQ, parade, night golf, games and more. Alice Hodges (308) 645-2646
www.tourthomascountynebraska.com

July 30-Aug 6

Chadron, Dawes County

Dawes County Fair

Fairgrounds 4-H exhibits, tractor pulls, children's rodeo and more. Free (308) 432-4401
www.chadron.com

July 30-Aug 8

Sidney, Cheyenne County

Cheyenne County Fair and Rodeo

Fairgrounds, 10955 US Hwy 30 Rodeo, bull riding, exhibits, demo derby, carnival and more. 8am-11pm David Weiderspon (308) 254-2704
www.cheyennecountychamber.com

July 31

Ashland, Saunders County

22nd Annual Carol Joy Holling Center Quilt Event

27416 Ranch Rd More than 350 handmade quilts on sale. Pool and lakefront open with tours available. 9am-5pm, Free Heather Abbott (888) 656-6254
www.nlom.org

July 31

Bradshaw, York County

Bradshaw Days

Downtown Children's games, antique fire engine rides, sand volleyball, street dance and more. Free Beverly Bornschlegel (402) 736-4634

July 31

Broken Bow, Custer County

Summer in the Square's 3rd Annual BBQ Contest

City square park Teams from all over the U.S. compete. Enjoy some tasty BBQ with all the fixins. 5pm, \$5-\$10, ages 5 and under free Joe Shea (308) 872-6522 www.brokenbow-ne.com

July 31

Cambridge, Furnas County

Concerts on the Creek

72184 Cross Creek Rd Enjoy a wonderful evening of fine food and chamber music over looking the Republican River Valley. 5-9pm, \$30 Becky Van de Bogart (402) 429-8227 www.tccp.us

July 31

Fairmont, Fillmore County

134th Annual Old Settlers Picnic

Main St Parade, BBQ, children's games and more. 9am-midnight, Free Jennifer Perkins (402) 366-5176 www.visitfillmorecounty.org

July 31

Minatare, Scotts Bluff County

Tabor Days

City-wide Parade, car bash, vendors, children's games, beer garden, live music, car show and more. 10am-1am Jimi Hufford (308) 783-4134

July 31

Norfolk, Madison County

16th Annual Literature Festival

Lifelong Learning Center, 801 E. Benjamin Ave Presented by Norfolk Public Library. Featuring nationally-known authors, book reviews, book displays and sales, autograph sessions and more. 9am-4pm, \$7.50 children, \$25 adults Karen Drevo (402) 844-2108 www.ci.norfolk.ne.us/library

July 31

Ogallala, Keith County

The Dam Run - 2nd Annual

Lake Ogallala Take part in the 5K/1M fun run/walk. Kendra Caskey (308) 284-4354
www.visitogallala.com

July 31

Ogallala, Keith County

21st Annual Kites & Castles

Lake McConaughy, 9 mi. N. on NE Hwy 61 Annual kite flying and sand castle building contest. Food, live music and plenty of family fun. Crystal Lehl (308) 287-2673 www.visitogallala.com

July 31

Papillion, Sarpy County

Matt Geiler Comedian Show

Sumtur Amphitheater, 11691 S. 108th St Gates open 6pm, show begins at 7:30pm (402) 597-2041
www.sumtur.org

July 31-Aug 4

Broken Bow, Custer County

Custer County Fair

Custer County Fairgrounds Exhibits, entertainment and more. Leon Myer (308) 870-2493
www.brokenbow-ne.com

Aug

Chappell, Deuel County

Deuel County Fair

Fairgrounds Grandstand events, kids tractor pull, livestock shows and more. (308) 874-9912
www.chappellchamber.com

Aug

Crawford, Dawes County

Senior Pro Rodeo

Crawford Rodeo Arena Rodeo for men and women and 40 and over. Cher Reeves (308) 665-2025
www.crawfordnebraska.biz

Aug

Hay Springs, Sheridan County

Friendly Festival

City-wide Parade, street dance, picnic, crafts, quilt displays, car show and tractor pull. (308) 638-7275

Aug

Hemingford, Box Butte County

Box Butte County Fair

Fairgrounds Phyllis Jesse (308) 487-5223
www.bbc.net/bbcfair

Aug

Imperial, Chase County

Chase County Fair and Expo

Fairgrounds, 560 Park St Western Nebraska's largest fair with events including live concerts by top country artists, carnival, demolition derby, exhibits and more. (800) 472-3247
www.chasecountyfair.com

Aug

Ogallala, Keith County

Keith County Fair

Fairgrounds Entertainment, exhibits, carnival, parade and more. Tim Ryan (308) 726-1203
www.keithcountyfair.com

Listing of Events by Month

Aug

Seward, Seward County

Nebraska Archeology Society Artifact Show

Fairgrounds, Ag Pavillion A view of early life on the plains. Authentic tipi frames, one-room log cabin and artifacts. 9am-5pm, Free Kevin Hammond (402) 423-5700

Aug 1

Bancroft, Cumming County

45th Annual Neihardt Day Celebration

John G. Neihardt State Historic Site, 306 W. Elm St Outdoor celebration of the life and work of Nebraska's Poet Laureate. Historical re-enactors, poetry, Native American arts, music and food. 11am, Free Nancy Gillis (402) 648-3388 www.neihardtcenter.org

Aug 1

Papillion, Sarpy County

Justin Moore Country Music Concert

Sumtur Amphitheater, 11691 S. 108th St Gates open 4:30pm, show begins 6pm (402) 597-2041 www.sumtur.org

Aug 1-31

Grand Island, Hall County

On the Square

Prairie Winds Art Center, 112 W. 3rd St Unique and thought provoking show by area artists Donna Binfield, Jan Wiemers, Jean Cook and Donna Ryan. Reception Aug 6, 5:30-8:30pm, Free (308) 381-4001 www.prairiewindsart.com

Aug 1-8

Ord, Valley County

Valley County Fair

Fairgrounds on Hwy 11 Ranch rodeo, free BBQ, chainsaw carvings, exhibits and musical entertainment. Free (308) 728-5071 www.central4.unl.edu

Aug 3-8

Neligh, Antelope County

Antelope County Fair

Fairgrounds Paintball tournaments, ranch rodeo, 4-H and FFA events, Bull-a-Rama, ATV mud drag, demolition derby and more. (402) 887-5252 www.antelopecofair.com

Aug 4-25

Sargent, Custer County

Farmers Market

West lot next to community center Wednesdays from 5-7pm, Free Tracy Drake (308) 527-3301 www.sargentne.com

Aug 4-8

Harrison, Sioux County

Sioux County Fair and Rodeo

Sioux County Fairgrounds Enjoy 5 days of good old-fashioned fun with 4-H shows, 2 rodeo performances and dances. \$5 Aaron Cross (308) 668-2428 www.visitnorthwestnebraska.com

Aug 4-8

Springfield, Sarpy County

Sarpy County Fair

100 Main St Tractor and pickup pulls, Mid-States Rodeo, demolition derby, entertainment and more. Free Rich Jansen (402) 253-2453 www.sarpyfair.com

Aug 5-14

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Lancaster County Super Fair

Lancaster Event Center, 84th & Havelock Ave Entertainment, livestock, strolling acts and a huge carnival for all ages. Daily, 9am-11pm, Free Rick Hinman (402) 441-6545 www.superfair.org

Aug 5-8

Mullen, Hooker County

Hooker County Fair

Fairgrounds val Simonson (308) 546-2754 www.hooker-county.com

Aug 5-8

Ponca, Dixon County

Nifty 50s Celebration

Downtown BBQ, concert, mud run, car show, children's activities, talent show, street dance and more. www.visitponca.com

Aug 5-8

South Sioux City, Dakota County

Cardinal Festival Days

City-wide Pat Anderson (402) 494-1626 www.visitsouthsiouxcity.com

Aug 5-9

Kimball, Kimball County

Kimball-Banner County Fair

Fairgrounds (308) 235-3782 www.ci.kimball.ne.us

Aug 6-10

Oakland, Burt County

Burt County Fair

Fairgrounds, 505 W. Fulton St Free Norman Johnson (402) 685-5540 www.ci.oakland.ne.us

Aug 6-11

Arlington, Washington County

Washington County Fair

Fairgrounds, 23656 US Hwy 30 Concerts, parade, 4-H exhibits, antique tractor pull, demolition derby and more. Steve Kruger (402) 478-4663 www.wcffair.com

Aug 6-7

Trenton, Hitchcock County

Harvest Festival

Powwow Grounds Parade, free BBQ, dance, children's activities and more. 11am-1am, Free Linda Cook (308) 334-5316 www.trentonne.com

Aug 6-8

Atkinson, Holt County

Hay Days

City-wide Children's theater, games in the park, vendors, exhibits, antiques and crafts, tractor show, dance and more. Outdoor Movie Party Saturday at dusk Cindy Poessnecker (402) 925-2037 www.atkinsonne.com

Aug 6-8

Bellwood, Butler County

Bellwood Daze

Main St Poker run, Polka dance, car show, street dance, games, crafts and more. 8am-1am Louis Oborny (402) 538-4505 www.bellwoodnebraska.com

Aug 6-8

Brady, Lincoln County

Brady Days

City-wide Old-fashioned, fun-filled family events including an ice cream social, turtle races, contests, street dance and more. Pam Diehl (308) 584-3316 www.villageofbrady.com

Aug 6-8

Orchard, Antelope County

Orchard Celebration Days

City-wide Community celebration with family friendly activities. Lucy Ferguson (402) 893-2535 www.orchardne.com

Aug 6-8

Red Cloud, Webster County

Street Car Days

City-wide Featuring entertainers at the city park and Missoula Children's Theatre at the Opera House. Sports competitions, parade, face painting, sidewalk chalk art, wine tastings, BBQ, vendors and more! (402) 746-3238 www.redcloudguiderock.com

Aug 6-8

Wilber, Saline County

Wilber Czech Festival

City-wide Czech dancing and music, authentic food and costumes, bands, 3 parades and contests in the Czech Capital of Nebraska. Free Mary Jean Keller (402) 821-2749 www.ci.wilber.ne.us

Aug 7

Arapahoe, Furnas County

Show & Shine Car Show

City park Hot rods, classics, restored, motorcycles and more. Food, prizes and fun. Tammie Middag (308) 962-7777 www.arapahoe-ne.com

Aug 7

Ashton, Sherman County

Ashton Days Celebration

City-wide

Aug 7

Beaver Crossing, Seward County

Beaver Daze

City park Softball tournament, children's games, pedal pull and other activities. 7am-9pm Mike Stutzman (402) 532-7195 www.beavercrossingne.com

Aug 7

Brule, Keith County

Brule Day

Barton Park Prairie breakfast, penny scramble, children's activities, flower show, dance and more. Ray Burkland (308) 287-2350 www.ci.brule.ne.us

Aug 7

Burwell, Garfield County

Calamus Carp Tournament

Calamus Reservoir, 7 mi. N.W. on NE Hwy 96 Rod and reel and archery divisions. 8am Dick Watts (308) 346-5695 www.visitburwell.org

Aug 7

Grand Island, Hall County

Grand Theatre Car Show

3rd St downtown Be a spectator or bring your classic car or motorcycle to show off. Free movie passes to all that enter the show, free hot dogs and chips to all who attend. 5pm, Free Craig Hand (308) 381-1225 www.grandmovietheatre.com

Aug 7

Kearney, Buffalo County

Annual Genealogy and One-Room School Open House

Trails & Rails Museum, 710 W. 11th St Presentations by the Fort Kearny Genealogical Society along with displays and research assistance. Bring your lunch and enjoy a back-to-school old-fashioned picnic just like the olden days. 10:30am-1:30pm, Free Jennifer Murrish (308) 234-3041 www.bchs.us

Aug 7

Nebraska City, Otoe County

Wine Under the Pines

Arbor Day Farm, 2711 Arbor Ave and Kimmel Orchard, 5995 G Rd A celebration of wine, craft beer, BBQ and music from southeast Nebraska. Grape stomp, live music, cooking demonstrations and more. Beverly Todd (402) 874-9296 www.wineunderthepines.org

Listing of Events by Month

Aug 7

Nebraska City, Otoe County Lemon Days

Downtown Lemonade stand competitions featuring a variety of lemon products. Bring a pal for bargain hunting and sample fine lemon treats. Free Rebecca Turner (402) 873-6654 www.nebraskacity.com

Aug 7-8

Atlanta, Phelps County Industry Days

City park & Community Building Ice cream social, dog races, BBQ picnic in the park, raffels, games and entertainment. Free Edee Lindstrom (308) 337-2298

Aug 8

Hastings, Adams County

16th Annual Pastime Fun in the Sun Car Show

Pastime Lanes, 1408 W. 18th Cool cars, food and vendors galore. 9am-4:30pm, Free Donna Hogan (402) 462-2695 www.pastimelanes.com

Aug 8

Sterling, Johnson County

28th Annual Deer Creek Sodbusters Antique Machinery Show

72927 610 Ave, 4 1/2 mi. S. of Sterling Featuring threshing, corn shelling, field harvest demonstrations, plowing, draft horses, steam and gas engines, antique tractor displays, flea market and more. Events begin at 8am., \$5 Robert Wolff (402) 866-2122 www.deercreeksodbusters.org

Aug 8-13

Valentine, Cherry County

Nebraska Star Party

Snake River Campground - Merritt Reservoir, 27 mi. S.W. of Valentine Six nights of astronomical observing at one of the premier star parties in the country. Beginner friendly for those interested in the hobby of amateur astronomy. \$50 Eric Balcom (402) 491-3502 www.nebraskastarparty.org

Aug 10-14

Weeping Water, Cass County

Cass County Fair

Fairgrounds, 144th St & NE Hwy 1 Celebration of 4-H and accomplishments. Free Steve Wehrbein (402) 504-2678 www.casscountyfair.org

Aug 12-15

Bloomfield, Knox County

Knox County Fair

Fairgrounds, 612 1/2 E. Main St Featuring big names in music, agricultural displays, carnival and more. Jerry Nipp (402) 373-4615 www.knoxcountyfairgrounds.com

Aug 12-15

Kearney, Buffalo County

Nebraska Senior Games

Multiple venues Athletic events for all men and women age 50 and older. Mandi Mollring (308) 237-4644 www.nebraskaseniorgames.com

Aug 12-15

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Capital City Ribfest

Pershing Center, 226 Centennial Mall S. Street festival featuring America's best BBQ from vendors across the country and a variety of live music. Derek Andersen (402) 441-8744 www.pershingcenter.com

Aug 12-15

Macy, Thurston County

Omaha Powwow

Powwow Grounds Music, dancing, crafts and food. \$5 (402) 837-5391

Aug 12-15

West Point, Cuming County Cuming County Fair

Fairgrounds 9am-9pm, \$1-\$5 (402) 372-2139 www.cumingcountyfair.com

Aug 13

Alliance, Box Butte County

Nebraska's 1st State Veterans Cemetery Dedication Ceremony

State Veterans Cemetery See a P-51 Mustang fly over, enjoy a plane ride, kick up your heels at a 1940s dance in the airport hanger or relax at the BBQ picnic in Central Park. 11am (877) 269-8776 www.visitboxbutte.com

Aug 13

Brownville, Nemaha County

Cavalcade of Cabaret

Concert Hall 7:30pm, \$15 (402) 825-3331 www.brownvilleconcertseries.com

Aug 13-14

Arnold, Custer County

Sandhills Open Road Challenge

Roadways between Arnold and Callaway Open road racing with a 1-mile shootout, burn-out contest, parade and car show. 8am, Free for spectators Becky Dailey (308) 848-2522 www.sorcrace.com

Aug 13-14

Omaha, Douglas County

Nebraska Balloon and Wine Festival

Elk Ridge Village on the Lake, 192nd & Blondo Enjoy award winning wine, live music and a hot air balloon launch. Daily, 5-11pm, \$5, special packages for tastings and food (402) 346-8003 www.showofficeonline.com

Aug 13-15

Benedict, York County

Benedict Days

Main St and village park Community festival with events for all ages including lawnmower races, sports tournaments, beer garden, street dance and children's games. Kelly Brooke (402) 732-6801

Aug 13-15

Hastings, Adams County

Kool-Aid Days

City-wide World's largest Kool-Aid stand, live entertainment with nationally-known performers, giant inflatables, cardboard boat races, classic car rally, disc golf, fireworks display and more. Fri, 4-9pm; Sat, 8am-10:30pm; Sun, 10am-6pm, Most events are free admission Randal Kottwitz (800) 967-2189 www.kool-aiddays.com

Aug 13-15

Niobrara, Knox County

Ponca Tribe of Nebraska's 17th Annual Powwow

5 mi. S.W. of town A celebration and sharing of the culture from days gone by. Enjoy music, dance, costumes and tradition. Free Gary Robinette (402) 857-3519 www.poncatribene.org

Aug 13-15

Ponca, Dixon County

Shooting Sports Skills Camp at Ponca State Park

88090 Spur 26 E Hone in on your shooting techniques. Camp out in a hunting camp atmosphere, chow on wild game and practice shooting firearms and bows in different settings. Call for fees (402) 755-2284 www.outdoornebraska.org

Aug 14

Broken Bow, Custer County

Demolition Derby

Custer County Fairgrounds Concession stand available, trophies awarded for top 3 spots in each class. Derby at 6:30pm, \$4-\$8 Denise Russell (308) 872-5691 www.brokenbow-ne.com

Aug 14

Genoa, Nance County

U.S. Indian School Celebration

209 E. Webster Speakers, food, tours, special exhibits and more. 10am-7pm Philip Swantek (402) 993-6636 www.megavision.net/genoamuseum

Aug 14

Hastings, Adams County

Kool-Aid Classic Bicycle Tour

Highland Park, 14th & Burlington Sts Tour the paved country roads surrounding the birthplace of Kool-Aid. Choose a 30 or 60-mile route with Kool-Aid refreshments along the way. 8am Bruce Sandahl (402) 463-1138 www.incolor.inetnebr.com/drewarc/kaclassic

Aug 14

Indianola, Red Willow County

Old Settlers Celebration

City-wide Family celebration including a parade, road race, paintball tournament, kiddie carnival, frog jumping contest and more. Ann Teel (308) 364-9281 indianolane.com

Aug 14

Omaha, Douglas County

Cavalcade of Cabaret

Omaha Community Playhouse - Main Stage 7:30pm, \$35 (402) 825-3331 www.brownvilleconcertseries.com

Aug 14-15

Bridgeport, Morrill County

84th Annual Greek Festival

Prairie Winds Community Center Authentic Greek foods, dancing and music and other activities. Sat, 5:30-10:30pm; Sun, noon-3:30pm, Free Steve Plummer (308) 262-0281

Aug 14-15

Grand Island, Hall County

Back to School in Railroad Town

Stuhr Museum of the Prairie Pioneer, 3133 W. US Hwy 34 The Peters School is the site of this long-running, popular event where reading, writing and arithmetic are the focus. Sat, 9am-5pm; Sun, noon-5pm, \$8-\$10 Martha Paulsen (308) 385-5316 www.stuhrmuseum.org

Aug 14-15

Omaha, Douglas County

Art in Bloom

Lauritzen Gardens, Omaha's Botanical Center, 100 Bancroft St Unique, botanically influenced art show includes displays, demonstrations, tours and performance art. Daily, 9am-5pm, \$3-\$7 Maureen Thomsen (402) 346-4002 www.lauritzengardens.org

Aug 15

Grand Island, Hall County

27th Annual Vintage and Classic Wheels Car Show

Stolley Park 9am-4pm, Free Bill Taylor (308) 384-7106

Aug 15

Omaha, Douglas County

St. Stanislaus Polish Festival

St. Stanislaus Church Ethnic food, Polka bands, games and rides. Noon-8pm Kathy Mahoney (402) 731-4152

Aug 15

Omaha, Douglas County

Corporate Cycling Challenge

Heartland of America Park, 8th & Farnam Sts Nebraska's largest 1-day cycling event! Including 3 tours: 10, 25 and 42 miles long. 8am Bob Mancuso (402) 346-8003 www.corporatecycling.com

Listing of Events by Month

Aug 15

Tekamah, Burt County

Sweet Corn Festival

City auditorium Free sweet corn for everyone along with sandwiches, pie and ice cream. Enjoy! 5-7pm, Free Harriet Shafer (402) 374-2020 www.tekamahchamberofcommerce.com

Aug 15-18

Syracuse, Otoe County

Otoe County Fair

County Fairgrounds

Aug 19-22

Columbus, Platte County

Columbus Days

City-wide Ribfest, Calico Quilt Club Quilt Show at the library, parade, car show, stage entertainment, antique tractor show and activities for the entire family. Free Sandi Fischer (402) 564-2769 www.thecolumbuspage.com

Aug 19-22

Stanton, Stanton County

Stanton County Fair

Fairgrounds Demolition derby, concerts, tractor pull and other fair events. Nancy Morfeld (402) 439-2003 www.stantoncountyfair.com

Aug 20-21

Wisner, Cuming County

Thunder by the River Truck and Tractor Pull

Wisner River Park More than \$87,000 in prize money available. Fri, 6:30pm; Sat, 12:30pm & 5:30pm, \$5-\$22 Peggy Liermann (402) 529-3338 www.thunderbytheriver.com

Aug 20-22

Bellevue, Sarpy County

Arrows to Aerospace

Washington Park & Mission Ave Carnival, parade, art in the park, children's activities, music and food. Free Doris Urwin (402) 980-9407 www.bokiwanis.org

Aug 20-22

St. Libory, Howard County

Watermelon Days

City-wide Team games, parade, blue rock shoot, entertainment and children's activities.

Aug 21

Adams, Gage County

Community Days

City-wide Celebration in honor of the first settler, John Adams and his generous concessions to the railroad in return for laying tracks through the town. Lisa Gembala (402) 988-2269

Aug 21

Maxwell, Lincoln County

Heritage Day

City-wide Fun events including a parade, feed team race, draft horse pull and obstacle course. 8am-10pm, Free (308) 582-4324

Aug 21-Oct 31

Omaha, Douglas County

Bittersweet Harvest: The Bracero Program

El Museo Latino, 4701 S. 25th St A Smithsonian Institution exhibition. \$3.50-\$5 Magdalena Garcia (402) 731-1137 www.elmuseolatino.org

Aug 22

Grand Island, Hall County

Sunday Afternoon with Tom and Huck

Stuhr Museum, 3133 W. US Hwy 34 Spend an afternoon fishing in the pond the overstocked pond, play games or enjoy a homemade wooden boat race. Noon-5pm, \$8-\$10 Martha Paulsen (308) 385-5316 www.stuhrmuseum.org

Aug 22

Sargent, Custer County

Heartland MX Series Racing

Sandhills Motorsport Park, 401 S. 7th St Gates open 8am, racing 11am, \$5 entry, \$25-\$30 competitors Lisa Grint (308) 215-0564 www.teamupr.com

Aug 27-29

Bayard, Morrill County

Oregon Trail Wagon Train Bluegrass Festival

Oregon Trail Wagon Train Enjoy music from 7 different Bluegrass bands. Fri, 4-10pm; Sat, 10am-10pm; Sun, 9:30am-4pm, \$12 daily, \$30 three-day pass Rick Bayne (308) 586-1850 www.oregontrailwagontrain.com

Aug 27-29

Minden, Kearney County

Antique Airplane Association Fly-In

Pioneer Village Field Historic and not-so-historic airplanes, displays, demonstration flights and more. 8am-6pm, Free Marshall Nelson (308) 832-1181 www.pioneervillage.org

Aug 27-29

North Loup, Valley County

109th Annual Popcorn Days

Main St All the free popcorn you can eat! Carnival, watermelon feed, talent show, parades, children's games, Polka dance, flea market, craft show and live entertainment. Free (308) 496-4401 www.visitvalleycounty.com

Aug 27-Sep 12

Manley, Cass County

Jake's Women

Lofte Community Theatre Live performance of Neil Simon's play. Thu-Sat, 7:30pm; Sun, 2pm, \$16 Anne Pope (402) 234-2553 www.lofte.com

Aug 27-Sep 6

Grand Island, Hall County

Nebraska State Fair

Heartland Events Center, 700 E. Stolley Park Rd Experience the State Fair in an all new setting with unmatched facilities, new exhibit buildings, plenty of parking and an atmosphere that is fun for the entire family. (308) 382-9210 www.statefairgi.com

Aug 28

Albion, Boone County

Rhythm & Ribs BBQ Competition

4th St Downtown BBQ competition with \$800 purse. Live bands, beer garden, children's activities, street dance and more. First band begins 1pm, 5pm rib dinner, 9pm street dance, \$15 Jill Anding (402) 395-6012

Aug 28

Hershey, Lincoln County

Fall Festival

City-wide Antique tractor pull, parade, water fight, street dance, BBQ and more. Free Ken Niedan (308) 368-5555

Aug 28-29

Bellevue, Sarpy County

Defenders of Freedom Air Show

Offutt Airforce Base Featuring aerial acrobatics and many military displays. 9am-5pm, Free (402) 294-3663 www.offuttairshow.com

Aug 28-29

Petersburg, Boone County

Nebraska State Antique Tractor and Horse

Plowing Bee

2 mi. N.W. of town Featuring all makes of farm equipment, flea market, parade, music and barn dance. 9am-4pm, \$5 Larry Petsche (402) 386-5334 www.raevalley.org

Sep

Mullen, Hooker County

Sandhills Sharptail Shootout

Mullen area An amateur sport shooting competition on some of the world's best grouse habitat. Held 2nd week of grouse season. Bryan Crisp (308) 546-2254 www.sharptailshootout.com

Sep 1-30

Grand Island, Hall County

Sisters in Stitches 2

Prairie Winds Art Center, 112 W. 3rd St Artist Karen Krull Robart and sister, Susan Kennedy present an entertaining show that includes quilting, painting, mixed media and everything but the kitchen sink. Reception Sep 3, 5:30 to 8:30pm (308) 381-4001 www.prairiewindsart.com

Sep 1-Nov 21

David City, Butler County

Leonard Steinauer Paintings and Sculptures

Bone Creek Museum of Agrarian Art Steinauer's self-taught work is similar to that of Grandma Moses. Whimsical metal sculpture and paintings of rural Ireland and Nebraska are included in this exhibit. Free Amanda Mobley (402) 367-4488 www.bonecreek.org

Sep 1-Nov 30

Boys Town, Douglas County

Public Art at Boys Town

Village of Boys Town Hall of History, 14057 Flanagan Blvd Variety of art on display throughout Boys Town including an iconic bronze Two Brothers statue and terra cotta frieze depicting the spirit of Boys Town. 10am-4pm, Free Tom Lynch (402) 498-1186 www.boystown.org

Sep 2-5

Omaha, Douglas County

Septemberfest

Qwest Center (402) 346-4800 www.septemberfestomaha.com

Sep 3-5

Lexington, Dawson County

24th Annual Labor Day Extravaganza

Dawson County Fairgrounds, 1000 Plum Creek Pkwy More than 180 vendors selling antiques, crafts and flea market items. Fri, 6-8:30pm; Sat, 9am-6pm; Sun, 9am-4pm, \$5 Fri, \$3 Sat & Sun Julie Harris (308) 324-5504 www.visitlexington.org

Sep 3-5

Potter, Cheyenne County

Potter Days

Downtown Parade, BBQ, crafts, dance, music and sports competitions. Free Dale Aurich (308) 879-4394 www.potterne.com

Sep 3-6

Ogallala, Keith County

Mac Attack Regatta

Lake McConaughy Bill McBride (308) 284-2400 www.visitogallala.com

Sep 3-6

Paxton, Keith County

Labor Day Celebration and Thunder in the Valley

Main St & E. US Hwy 30 Parade, tractor pull, horseshoes, children's games, crafts, food and more. Thunder in the Valley bull riding, comedy acts and muton busting events held on Saturday. Betty Brown (308) 239-4388

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Sep 3-Nov 28

Lincoln, Lancaster County

American Plains Artists 26th Annual Juried Exhibit and Sale

Great Plains Art Museum, 1155 Q St - Hewitt Place
Featuring realistic and representational artwork depicting the American Great Plains past and present. Tue-Sat, 10am-5pm; Sun, 1:30-5pm Judy McElroy (308) 249-1488
www.americanplainsartists.com

Sep 4

Burwell, Garfield County

Old Timers Rodeo

Garfield County Fairgrounds, NE Hyws 96 & 11
Cowboys and cowgirls 40 years old or over can compete in six rodeo events. Get your boots on!
Cory Hughes (308) 346-5638 www.visitburwell.org

Sep 4

Lewellen, Garden County

Blue Water Blues Festival

17 Ranch Winery Live music, entertainment and delicious food. Ellen Burdick (308) 778-5542
www.17ranchwinery.com

Sep 4

Shubert, Richardson County

Fireworks Display at Indian Cave State Park

2 mi. N. and 5 mi. E. of town 9pm, Park entry permit required Kevin Holliday (402) 883-2575
www.outdoornebraska.org

Sep 4-5

Callaway, Custer County

20th Annual Kite Flight

4 mi. S.E. on NE Hwy 40 Family, amateur and experienced kite flying. Concessions, candy drops, face painting and other fun events. 10am-4pm, \$2 Betsy Spanel (308) 836-4416
www.callawaykiteflight.com

Sep 4-6

Arcadia, Valley County

Fall Festival

City-wide Three fun-filled days including sports tournaments, demolition derby, BBQ, kiddy rides, parade and more. Free Barb Dorsey (308) 789-6367 www.ordnebraska.com

Sep 4-6

Bridgeport, Morrill County

Camp Clarke Raiders Fall Rendezvous

Shooting Range & Campgrounds, 5 mi. S. of town on Hwy 88 Blackpowder rifle, shotgun and pistol shoots for adults and children, hawk and knife throws, games, raffles, food and more. Step back into the 1800s. Daily, 8am-6pm, \$30 camp/event fee for entire family Nancy or LeRoy Eichthaler (308) 262-1080 www.campclarkeraiders.com

Sep 4-6

Grand Island, Hall County

1890 Agricultural Fair

Stuhr Museum, 3133 W. US Hwy 34 The social event of the year in 1890s Railroad Town featuring live music, a midway full of games, fortune teller and exhibits. Sat & Mon, 10am-5pm; Sun, noon-5pm, \$7-\$10 Martha Paulsen (308) 385-5316
www.stuhrmuseum.org

Sep 4-6

Johnstown, Brown County

Brown County Fair & Rodeo

N. Main St Rodeos, BBQs, parade, entertainment and concerts. Dave Sherman (402) 722-4404
www.ainsworthchamber.com

Sep 4-6

Lodgepole, Cheyenne County

Old Settlers Days

City-wide Parade, crafts, BBQ, tractor pull, art show, children's games and more. 8am-5pm, Free (308) 483-5353 www.lodgepole.us

Sep 4-7

Crawford, Dawes County

Northwest Nebraska Rock Swap

City park Buy, sell or swap rocks, minerals or fossils. Begins at 8am, Free Helen Cozzini (308) 665-1251
www.crawfordnebraska.biz

Sep 5

Norfolk, Madison County

6th Annual Affiliated Foods Midwest Music Festival

Divots DeVent Center, 4200 W. Norfolk Ave A celebration of all genres of music featuring several acts over a 10 hour time frame. 3pm-midnight Shawn Severson (402) 379-3833
www.divotsconcertseries.com

Sep 5

Wausa, Knox County

Labor Day Celebration and Car Show

Gladstone Park Children's games, ATV mud bog races and more. 7am-1pm Heather Carlson (402) 586-2266 www.mywausanews.com

Sep 6

Crawford, Dawes County

Labor Day Trail Ride

Ash Creek Ranch Trail ride and dutch oven supper. Bring your own horse. 1:30pm, \$15-\$25 (308) 665-1580 www.nebraskahighcountryranchride.com

Sep 6

Omaha, Douglas County

Family Fun Day Cruise

River City Star, 151 Freedom Park Rd Half price sightseeing cruises from 1-2pm. Bring the entire family for a 1 hour cruise along the Omaha riverfront. 1-2pm, \$4-\$6 Tami Bader (402) 342-7827
www.rivercitystar.com

Sep 9-11

Hastings, Adams County

Miles of Memories Country Music Fest

Adams County Fairgrounds, 947 S. Baltimore Ave Traditional country concerts, theme shows and dances for fans of old-fashioned country music. 10am-11pm, \$15 per day Mary Schutz (903) 467-9545 www.texandmary.com

Sep 9-12

Plattsmouth, Cass County

Plattsmouth Harvest Festival

Main St Parades, live entertainment, slow tractor pulls, fire fighter competition, carnival rides and more. 10am-midnight, Free Terry Little (402) 296-4170 www.plattsmouthharvestfestival.com

Sep 9-12 & 16-19

Giltner, Hamilton County

Country Crafts and Friends

307 W. 5 Rd More than 30 vendors with handmade crafts in a store-like setting. 10am-5pm, Free Cindy Consbruck (402) 849-2927

Sep 10

Grand Island, Hall County

Heroes on the Green

Indianhead Golf Club Best ball scramble benefitting Goodwill Industries of Greater Nebraska's job training program for people with acquired brain injuries. 8am Tom Conlon (308) 384-7896
goodwillne.org

Sep 10

Table Rock, Pawnee County

Living History Day at Table Rock Town Square

Downtown Check out old-fashioned craft demonstrations from threshing to medicine men and learn how our ancestors lived. 9am-2:30pm (402) 245-4859

Sep 10-11

Cozad, Dawson County

Hay Days

Downtown Carnival, parade, food vendors and magic show. (308) 784-3930
www.cozadnebraska.net

Sep 10-12

Brownville, Nemaha County

KT Sullivan & Mark Nadler

Concert Hall 7:30pm, 2pm on Sun, \$15-\$20 (402) 825-3331 www.brownvilleconcertseries.com

Sep 11

Ashland, Saunders County

Moonshell Storytelling Festival

Mahoney State Park, I-80 Exit 426, 28500 W. Park Hwy Outstanding national, regional and local storytellers with concerts and workshops. 10:30am-9pm, Park entry permit required Liz Kumru (402) 331-0992 www.nebraskastoryarts.org

Sep 11

Carleton, Thayer County

Milo Day

City-wide Milo pancakes, queen contest, parade, tractor show, horse show, BBQ, children's activities, baking contest, exhibits and more. Free Cris Smith (402) 356-2711 www.thayercounty.org

Sep 11

Hastings, Adams County

Ram Run and Walk

Central Community College, E. Hwy 6 Take part in the 5 mile competitive race or the 2 mile fun run/walk. 8am, \$12-\$15 Chuck Breunig (402) 461-2425 www.cccneb.edu

Sep 11

Henderson, York County

Heritage Day

Henderson Mennonite Heritage Park, 1 1/2 mi. S. of I-80 Exit 342 Enjoy daily activities done the old-fashioned Mennonite way. Lard rendering, cracklings, spare ribs, sausage making, bread baking, ethnic foods, butter making and more. 9am-2pm, Free Marjorie Smith (402) 723-5793
www.hendersonheritage.org

Sep 11

Neligh, Antelope County

Bread 'N Jam Festival

Neligh Mills & Wylie Dr Enjoy country gospel music, bake off contests, vendors, children's activities, demonstrations, cookie baking contests and more. Kate Ostenrude (402) 887-5140 www.nelighlib.org

Sep 11

Papillion, Sarpy County

Patriot Day Tribute

Sumtur Amphitheater, 11691 S. 108th St Gates open 9am, events begin at 10am (402) 597-2041
www.sumtur.org

Sep 11

Wellfleet, Lincoln County

Fall Festival

City-wide Craft show, tractor pull, parade, free pit BBQ, horse races, children's games, beer garden and dance. 10am-1am, Free Randy Bollish (308) 963-4350 www.wellfleetfallfestival.com

Listing of Events by Month

Sep 11-12

Alliance, Box Butte County

Dobby's Frontier Town Fall Festival

320 E. 25th St Step back into the late 19th century. Demonstrations of daily activities, tours of historical buildings and implement displays. Liz Taylor-Herd (308) 762-3876 www.dobbysfrontiertown.com

Sep 11-12

Brule, Keith County

Gun Show

Activity center Buy, sell, trade guns. Denise Moorhead (308) 289-6928

Sep 11-12

Clay Center, Clay County

Old Trusty Antique Engine & Collectors Show

Clay County Fairgrounds Celebration of life long ago on the farm. Draft horse show, country music, working heritage craftsment, tractor pulls, flea market, fresh taffy and sweet sorghum molasses and more. Sat, 8am-8pm; Sun, 8am-5pm, \$1-\$5 Joyce Schlick (402) 726-2487 www.oldtrusty.org

Sep 11-12

Gordon, Sheridan County

Willow Tree Festival

City parks Outdoor music and visual arts festival with 3 stages of performers all day. Arts and crafts, food vendors, children's activities and more. (308) 282-0730 www.gordonchamber.com

Sep 11-12

North Platte, Lincoln County

Nebraska State Association High School Rodeo

Wild West Arena (308) 534-1244 www.hsrodeo-nebraska.com

Sep 11-12

Ponca, Dixon County

Archery Sight-In Days at Ponca State Park

88090 Spur 26 E The archery range will have 3-D target ranges including a big game, small game, deer herd and just for fun range. 10am-4pm Jennifer Wolff (402) 755-2284 www.outdoornebraska.org

Sep 12

Ashton, Sherman County

Polish Heritage Festival 2010

St. Francis Hall & Polish Heritage Center Polka mass, Polish buffet and an afternoon of fun activities including a Polka dance, beer garden, Bingo and children's activities. 10:30am-5pm, \$3 donation Virginia Pokorski (308) 738-2196 www.polishheritagecenter.com

Sep 12

Berwyn, Custer County

3rd Annual Rod Run and Car Show

Village Park & Fire Hall \$5 Don White (308) 935-1296

Sep 12

Fremont, Dodge County

24th Annual Fremont Toy Show

Christensen Field, 16th St & Ridge Rd Dealers from 6 states with hundreds of antique and collectible toys for sale. 9am-3pm, \$3 Carl Soukup (402) 720-6490

Sep 12

North Platte, Lincoln County

Arts in the Park

Cody Park Enjoy a fun-filled day of homemade crafts. 10am (308) 535-6772 www.visitnorthplatte.com

Sep 12

Odell, Gage County

Community Day

City park Learn about the history of transportation and its affects on communities as the West was settled. Chicken BBQ, parade, bingo and games. 11am-4pm Jill Scheele (402) 766-4377 www.odell-nebraska.us

Sep 14-16

Grand Island, Hall County

Husker Harvest Days

9000 W. Husker Hwy The world's largest totally irrigated working farm show. More than 80 acres of exhibits, field demonstrations, seminars, crafts and artwork and much more. Tue-Wed, 8am-5pm; Thu, 8am-4pm (309) 582-0996 www.huskerharvestdays.com

Sep 15-18

Humboldt, Richardson County

Humboldt Fall Festival and Richardson County Fair

Fairgrounds and city-wide Fall festival events on Weds with King and queen coronation, concessions and rides daily, parades and free entertainment acts. Free (402) 862-2821

Sep 16-18

Gothenburg, Dawson County

96th Annual Harvest Festival

City-wide Annual dog show, parades, food vendors, arts and crafts, children's games, bed races, children's tractor pull and more. Anne Anderson (308) 537-3505 www.gothenburgdelivers.com

Sep 16-18

Ogallala, Keith County

26th Annual Indian Summer Rendezvous

Downtown Parade, craft show, quilt show, live entertainment, chili cook-off and more. (308) 284-4066 www.visitogallala.com

Sep 17-18

Omaha, Douglas County

German Day - Oktoberfest

German-American Society, 3717 S. 120th St Family oriented festival with children's games, German food, cultural items for sale, singing, folk dancing and bands. Fri, 5pm-midnight; Sat, 11:30am-midnight (402) 333-6615 www.germanamericansociety.org

Sep 17-19

Nebraska City, Otoe County

41st Annual AppleJack Festival

City-wide Craft shows, museum tours, reenactments, quilt show, classic car show, enormous parade, AppleJam Fest with live music and children's activities, Arbor Day Farm and Tree Adventure festivities. Free Rebecca Turner (402) 873-6654 www.nebraskacity.com

Sep 17-19

North Platte, Lincoln County

Rail Fest

Cody Park A non-stop show for train lovers and America's premier event for those who enjoy an interactive look at the rail industry in action. 10am-10pm, Free David Harrold (308) 534-3648 www.nprailfest.com

Sep 17-19

Pierce, Pierce County

Pierce Old Time Threshing Bee and John Deere Roundup

Fairgrounds The 5th annual tractor drive will be held Sep 17 at 1pm. Antique auction Saturday at 9am. 9am-5pm, Free Elwood Meier (402) 329-4245 www.ptcnet.net/museum

Sep 17-19

Stuart, Holt County

Beaver Creek Knap-In and Primitive Skills Gathering

Sandhills Outfitters, 87255 464th Ave Flint knapping and various Native American skills demonstrations. 10am-4pm, Free Doris Hamilton (402) 924-3180 www.spiritinthewind.com

Sep 17-19

York, York County

31st Annual Yorkfest

City-wide Family-friendly activities throughout the weekend including the crowning of the King and Queen and Grand Parade on Saturday morning. Fri, 7am-10pm; Sat, 7am-midnight; Sun, 10am-4pm (402) 362-5531 www.yorkchamber.org

Sep 17-Nov 11

Grand Island, Hall County

Grand Island Art and Sketch Club Exhibit

Stuhr Museum, 3133 W. Hwy 34 Mon-Sat, 9am-5pm; Sun, noon-5pm, \$4-\$6 Kari Stofer (308) 385-5316 www.stuhrmuseum.org

Sep 18

Fordyce, Cedar County

WJ Ranch Presents: Dan Tyminski & Ronnie Bowman in Concert

55659 892 Rd Ronnie Bowman is a member of the Lonesome River Band. Dan Tyminski is a member of Alison Kraus and Union Station, known for his rendition of Man of Constant Sorrow in O Brother Where Art Thou? 8pm (402) 357-2102 www.schiferlswjranch.com

Sep 18

Greeley, Greeley County

4th Annual Greeley Irish Festival

Sacred Heart Church Grounds Celebrate the area's Irish heritage with non-stop live Irish music, food, drink, history, customs and education all in an outdoor venue. Enjoy music groups from Ireland and the US. 11am-11pm, \$15-\$20, age 12 & under free accompanied by parent Douglas Wrede (308) 428-5595 www.greeleyirishfestival.com

Sep 18

Mitchell, Scotts Bluff County

Scotts Bluff Valley Fiber Arts Fair

Scotts Bluff County Fairgrounds Artisans including spinners, weavers, knitters and quilters along with exhibits and demonstrations. 8am-4pm, Free Donna Thompson (308) 635-2198 www.brownsheep.com

Sep 18

Omaha, Douglas County

19th Annual Fort Omaha Intertribal Powwow

Metropolitan Community College, Fort Omaha Campus at 5730 N. 30th St Outdoor celebration of Native American cultures featuring traditional dance, storytelling, food and more than 400 artists. 1-7:30pm, Free Barbara Velazquez (402) 457-2253 www.mccneb.edu/intercultural

Sep 18

Stanton, Stanton County

The Godfather Wine and Food Tasting

Uptown Brewery A tribute to Francis F. Coppola, his wine, his food and special guest appearance by David Gates, wine expert of Coppola Vineyard in Napa, CA. 6pm (402) 439-5100

Sep 18

Tilden, Madison County

9th Annual Ribfest

American Legion Post 170 Competitive rib grilling event. 11am-5pm, \$15 for contestants Bob Mahood (402) 368-5370

Listing of Events by Month

Sep 18

Wallace, Lincoln County

Fall Festival

City-wide Parade, children's games, rodeo, tractor pull, BBQ, street dance and other events. (308) 387-4319

Sep 18-19

North Platte, Lincoln County

Lincoln County High School Rodeo

Wild West Arena 9am (308) 534-1244
www.hsrodeo-nebraska.com

Sep 18-19

Ponca, Dixon County

6th Annual Missouri River Outdoor Expo at Ponca State Park

88090 Spur 26 E Hands-on demonstrations, exhibits, activities on camping, hunting, nature art, outdoor cooking, fishing, conservation, hiking, wildlife viewing and more. Jennifer Wolff (402) 755-2284 www.outdoornebraska.org

Sep 18-19

Tekamah, Burt County

Apple Jam Festival

City-wide Children's games, food and music. (402) 374-2953

Sep 18-Oct 31

Avoca, Cass County

Pumpkin Festival

Bloom Where You're Planted Farm, 911 108th St Family activities, hayrack rides, farm animals, nature trail, agriculture exhibits, food, gift shop and more. Fri, 1-6pm; Sat-Sun, 10am-6pm, \$4, ages 2 years and under free admission Teresa Lorensen (402) 267-4104 www.bloompumpkinpatch.com

Sep 18-Oct 31

La Vista, Sarpy County

Scary Acres

172nd & Giles Rd Featuring a haunted castle, haunted woods, house on the hill and The Stalks corn maze. 6:30-10:30pm Don Losole (402) 896-9666 www.scaryacres.com

Sep 19

Hastings, Adams County

Chapparral's Motorcycle Fall Poker Run

Highland Park Pavillion Motorcycles drive to 5 check points to draw a card. The best poker hand at the end wins. Registration 11am-noon, \$8 Douglas Mick (402) 463-6889 hastingschapparrals.blogspot.com

Sep 19

Hastings, Adams County

Hastings Symphony Orchestra Concert

Chautauqua Park, 5th & Laird 3pm, Free Jodi Mackin (402) 469-9396
www.hastingsssymphony.com

Sep 19

West Point, Cuming County

21st Annual Last Fling 'Til Spring Car Show

Main St One of the Midwest's largest one-day car shows drawing more than 10,000 visitors. noon-5pm, Free Doug Peterson (402) 372-3390
www.roadgems.com

Sep 19-Dec 31

Omaha, Douglas County

Kent Bellows

Joslyn Art Museum, 2200 Dodge St Nebraska-born artist Kent Bellows is best known for his figurative works in the realist style. Tue-Sat, 10am-4pm; Sun, noon-4pm, \$4-\$7, free on Sat from 10am-noon (402) 342-3300 www.joslyn.org

Sep 19-Oct 31

Nickerson, Dodge County

Corn Maze and Pumpkin Patch Festivities at Camp Fontanelle

9677 County Rd 3 The fun begins with the annual BBQ on Sep 19. Pumpkin picking, petting barn, trails, inflatable castle, lawn games, campfires, concessions, haunted corn maze and search for treats. Sat-Sun, 1-7pm, \$4-\$6 Trent Meyer (402) 478-4296 www.campfontanelle.com

Sep 23-25

Hayes Center, Hayes County

Grand Duke Alexis Rendezvous

Camp Hayes Lake A celebration to commemorate the buffalo hunt arranged in honor of the Grand Duke Alexis of Russia. Black powder shoots, historical presentations, ladies prairie tea, food, games and much more. 9am-8pm, Free Doris Vlasin (308) 286-3463 www.granddukealexis.com

Sep 23-27

Omaha, Douglas County

River City Roundup and Douglas County Fair

Qwest Center, 455 N. 10th St The official community celebration of Omaha includes the Justin Boots Championships, 4-H Livestock Expo and Douglas County Fair. (402) 554-9600
www.rivercityroundup.org

Sep 24-25

Lexington, Dawson County

Nebraska Fur Harvesters Fall Event

Dawson County Fairgrounds Fur harvesting by predator calling or trapping. Demonstrations, exhibits and craft show. 8am-5pm, \$3 Doug Eskev (308) 537-2919 www.nebraskafurharvesters.com

Sep 24-26

Burwell, Garfield County

Nebraska's Junk Jaunt

300 miles along NE Hwys 11, 91 & 2 A 300-mile span of flea markets, food stands, antique dealers, farmers markets and more. (308) 346-4815
www.junkjaunt.com

Sep 24-26

Omaha, Douglas County

Antique and Garden Show

Lauritzen Gardens, Omaha's Botanical Center, 100 Bancroft St Top dealers from around the country bring their finest pieces to sell in elegant display room vignettes. Speakers, activities and entertainment throughout the weekend. 9am-5pm, \$10 Deb Ashford (402) 346-4002
www.omahaantiqueshow.org

Sep 25

Grand Island, Hall County

Harvest Festival

Stuhr Museum, 3133 W. Hwy 34 Specialty food, games, live bluegrass music, a parade of power featuring antique tractors and dozens of activities are on tap for this festival. 10am-5pm, \$4-\$6 Martha Paulsen (308) 385-5316 www.stuhrmuseum.org

Sep 25

Kimball, Kimball County

Farmers Day Celebration

Downtown Craft show, hamburger feed, bed races, fun run and children's games. 6am-10pm (308) 235-3782 www.ci.kimball.ne.us

Sep 25

Springfield, Sarpy County

Harvest Festival at Soaring Wings Vineyard

17111 S. 138th St A celebration of the end of harvest with pop-country and folk rock music, BBQ, award-winning wine, cork tossing and grape stomping contests. noon-8pm, \$12 adults 21 and over, \$7 ages 12-21 Jim Shaw (402) 253-2479
www.soaringwingswine.com

Sep 25

Stamford, Harlan County

Stamford Pork Days

Main St Parade, arts and crafts, street games, free pork BBQ and entertainment. Free Rolena Novak (308) 868-2401

Sep 25

Stratton, Hitchcock County

Stratton Days

City-wide Mud bog, auto show, community street dance and more. (308) 276-2184

Sep 25

Weeping Water, Cass County

Fall Festival

Main St and City Park Pickin in the Park music festival, outdoor flea market and craft show, car show, chili cook-off, museum tours and more. 8am-10pm, Free Kay Gerdes (402) 267-5152
www.weepingwaternebraska.com

Sep 25-26

Bellevue, Sarpy County

Midlands Pirate Festival

Bellevue Berry & Pumpkin Patch Family festival that brings a theatrical flair of all things pirate! Historical and educational living history exhibits and children's zone. 11am-6pm (641) 357-5177
www.midlandspirafest.com

Sep 25-26

Brownville, Nemaha County

52nd Annual Brownville Fall Flea Market

Main St More than 200 vendors from 7 states. Antiques, primitives, crafts, flowers, jewelry, collectibles and food. 8am-6pm, Free Jim Doty (402) 825-3731 www.brownville-ne.com

Sep 25-26

Lincoln, Lancaster County

10th Annual Lincoln Arts Festival

SouthPointe Pavillions, 27th & Pine Lake Rd Nearly 100 local and national artists gather to show and sell their work. Live performing arts, great shopping and children's activities. Sat, 10am-6pm; Sun, 10am-5pm, Free Becky Boesen (402) 434-2787
www.artscene.org

Sep 25-26

McCook, Red Willow County

Heritage Days

Norris Ave Parade, craft and food booths, music, art in the park and Deal or No Deal. Free Pam Harsh (308) 345-3200 www.aboutmccook.com

Sep 25-26

Sargent, Custer County

Heartland MX Series Racing

Sandhills Motorsport Park, 401 S. 7th St Grand Finale Weekend! Gates open 8am, racing 11am, \$5 entry, \$25-\$30 competitors Lisa Grint (308) 215-0564 www.teamupr.com

Sep 25-Oct 31

Glenvil, Clay County

Country Harvest Pumpkin Patch

331 Rd 310 A pumpkin patch with plenty of family fun events including hayrack rides, hillside slides, zip line rides, corn maze and more. Fri, 2pm-dusk; Sat, 10am-dusk; Sun, noon-dusk, \$7 Paul Fredricks (402) 771-2148
www.countryharvestpumpkinpatch.com

Sep 25-Oct 31

Gretna, Sarpy County

Vala's Pumpkin Patch and Fall Festival

12102 S. 180th St More than 37 attractions and 3 live shows. Hayrides, pumpkin-eating dragon, pumpkin launcher, pig races, corn maze and more. 9am-9pm, \$12.25 Jan Vala (402) 332-4200
www.valaspumpkinpatch.com

Listing of Events by Month

Sep 26

Chadron, Dawes County

History in Action Day

Dawes County Historical Society Museum
Demonstrations, buggy rides and old-fashioned
hands-on activities including butter churning, wheat
weaving, wood carving and more. 1-5pm, Free
Ardith Morse (308) 432-4999 www.chadron.com

Sep 26

Fremont, Dodge County

Fremont Antique Car Club Swap Meet

Christensen Field One of Nebraska's largest one
day swap meets. A variety of items from cars and
auto parts outside, to arts and crafts inside. 6am-
5pm, Free Gene Chappelle (402) 721-0475
www.fremontantiquecarclub.com

Sep 26

St. James, Cedar County

St. James Marketplace Heritage Fest

St. James Marketplace Enjoy a day filled with
activities from days gone by. Homemade ice crea,
sorting and grading corn, square dancing, spinning
and plenty of food. 11am-5pm, Free (402) 357-
3330 www.stjamesmarketplace.com

Sep 26-Oct 17

Nebraska City, Otoe County

Living History Sundays at Arbor Lodge State Historical Park

2600 Arbor Ave Featuring a variety of old time skills
and entertainment. Sundays 1-5pm, \$4 mansion
admission Laura Steinman (402) 873-7222
www.outdoornebraska.org

Oct

Champion, Chase County

Cox's Pumpkin Patch and Pumpkin Run

Cox's Ponds, 1 1/2 mi. W. of town on 734 Rd Scenic
pumpkin patch features arts and crafts, hayrack
rides, games, food and entertainment. 5K and 10
mile run through countryside. Jill Moline (308) 883-
5389 www.chasecounty.com

Oct 1

Plattsmouth, Cass County

Cruizin Main Show and Shine Car Show

Main St 5:30-8:30pm, Free (402) 296-5544
www.plattsmouthchamber.com

Oct 1-2

Grand Island, Hall County

Threads Across Nebraska

Midtown Holiday Inn Quilt show representing the
local guilds across the state. Vendors mall and
demonstrations. Fri, 9am-6pm; Sun, 9am-4pm, \$3-
\$6 LeAnne Killion (308) 440-8867 www.nsqq.org

Oct 1-3

Dalton, Cheyenne County

Fall Festival

Downtown & Hwy 385 Parade, crafts, games,
fireworks display, BBQ, soup supper and pancake
feed. Free Luella Cooper (308) 377-2333

Oct 1-3

Fremont, Dodge County

Old Time Rural Roots Music Gathering

Christensen Field House Large gathering of old time
music makers conducting a professional stage
show. 9am-midnight, \$12-\$15 Bob Everhart (712)
762-4363 www.orgsites.com/ia/oldtimemusic

Oct 1-3

Ponca, Dixon County

2nd Annual Heritage Farm Weekend at Ponca State Park

88090 Spur 26 E Pass along many of the traditional
skills and techniques of a small family farm.
Canning, preserving, bee keeping, organic
gardening, quilting and more. Jennifer Wolff (402)
755-2284 www.outdoornebraska.org

Oct 1-3

Sidney, Cheyenne County

Cruisin Classics Rod and Roll Show

Legion Park More than 200 classic cars. Show and
shine, music, food and dance. Loren Rood (308)
254-6127

Oct 1-3

Sidney, Cheyenne County

Oktoberfest

Fairgrounds, 10955 Hwy 30 Ethnic festival with
continuous free entertainment, craft and food
booths, parade, farmers market, live dance bands,
beer tent and more. 7am-midnight, Free Judy Harris
(308) 254-2932 www.cheyennecountychamber.com

Oct 1-31

Grand Island, Hall County

Imagination

Prairie Winds Art Center, 112 W. 3rd St Celebrated
Nebraska artists Patsy Smith and Ken Bassett
display their latest creative paintings. Reception Oct
8, 5:30-8:30pm, Free Charl Mitchell (308) 381-4001
www.prairiewindsart.com

Oct 1-31

Nebraska City, Otoe County

Victorian Christmas

Historic Wildwood Home & Art Gallery (402) 873-
6654 www.nebraskacity.com

Oct 1-31

Omaha, Douglas County

Cobweb Castle

Omaha Children's Museum, 500 S. 20th St Explore
a spooky castle and choose from 2 paths of differing
difficulty to interact with the castle. Museum
admission (402) 342-6164 www.ocm.org

Oct 1-Nov 21

Omaha, Douglas County

Fall Chrysanthemum Show

Lauritzen Gardens, Omaha's Botanical Center, 100
Bancroft St Japanese-inspired show filled with
autumn colors. 9am-5pm, \$3-\$7 Maurren Thomsen
(402) 346-4002 www.lauritzengardens.org

Oct 2

Beatrice, Gage County

Arts in the Park

Riverside Park Art projects for children, musical
groups all day, craft demonstrations and a variety of
food vendors. 10am-4pm, Free Kathy Diekman
(402) 223-2338 www.visitbeatrice.com

Oct 2

Burwell, Garfield County

Fox Hunt

46375 826th Rd Enjoy the Nebraska Sandhills and
the thrill of the chase on this fox hunt. Joan
Kahlandt (308) 346-4856 www.visitburwell.org

Oct 2

Doniphan, Hall County

Fall Festival

Plum St Dinner, parade, children's games,
concessions, hamburger feed and more. Free Mona
Schafer (402) 845-2981 www.ci.doniphan.ne.us

Oct 2

Elgin, Antelope County

Elgin Craft and Product Fair

St. Boniface auditorium and basement 10am-5pm,
Free Linda Kerkman (402) 843-5946
www.stbonparishes.com

Oct 2

Endicott, Jefferson County

Lord's Acre Day

United Methodist Church Enjoy a pancake breakfast,
parade, crafts, food, children's games, door prizes
and don't forget to try some of the famous
homemade horseradish! 6am-4pm, Free Loren
Specht (402) 729-6048

Oct 2

Filley, Gage County

Harvest Festival

Filley Stone Barn, 13282 E. Scott Rd Antique
tractors, crafts, farmers market, broom making,
working horses, blacksmithing, farm equipment and
gas engines, molasses making, corn shelling, music
and food. 10am-4pm, Free Lesa Arterburn (402) 228-
1679 www.beatricene.com/gagecountymuseum

Oct 2

Grand Island, Hall County

Harvest of Harmony Parade

Downtown on 3rd St Bands and visitors from
Nebraska and surrounding areas. 8:15am-4pm Micki
Ward (308) 382-9210 www.harvestofharmony.tv

Oct 2

Martell, Lancaster County

2010 PlainSong Folk Festival

Sprague/Martell Community Center, 17490 S.W.
14th St in Martell (402) 421-7678
www.plainsongfestival.com

Oct 2

Mitchell, Scotts Bluff County

Art in the Courtyard

Barn Anew B&B, 170549 County Rd L Local artists
display and sell their work in the courtyard of the
Barn Anew B&B. 10am-3pm, Free Cher Maybee
(308) 632-8647 www.barnanew.com

Oct 2

Orleans, Harlan County

Applefest

Fairgrounds Craft show, games for children,
entertainment and buggy rides. 9am-5pm, \$1
Charlene Hunt (308) 473-4825

Oct 2

Uehling, Dodge County

Craft Show

City auditorium, 3rd & Main Sts More than 40
vendors. 9am-4pm, Free Kathy Greenfield (402) 567-
2515 www.uehlingne.org

Oct 2-3

Ashland, Saunders County

Autumn Harvest Art Show by Prairie Images

Eugene T. Mahoney State Park, I-80 Exit 426 A fine
arts celebration featuring wildlife, landscape, still life,
impressionistic, southwest and western paintings in
a variety of mediums. Sat, 9am-8pm; Sun, 9am-
4pm, Park entry permit required Adam Offner (402)
944-2523 www.outdoornebraska.org

Oct 2-3

Omaha, Douglas County

Nebraska Mineral and Gem Club's Gem, Jewelry and Mineral Show

Westside Community Center, 3534 S. 108th St
Demonstrations in rock cutting, carving, rock
polishing, wire wrapping, bead making and fossil
cleaning. Sat, 9am-6pm; Sun, 10am-5pm, \$2-\$4 Tim
Kautsch (402) 397-9606 www.nerockgem.us

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Oct 2-3

Omaha, Douglas County

Omaha North Hills Pottery Tour

Florence, Ponca Hills, Ft. Calhoun and N. of Blair A showcae of functional and sculptural clay featuring regionally and nationally known potters. Take a closer look at a broad range of clay works and two working studios. Sat, 10am-7pm; Sun, 10am-5pm, Free Liz Vercruysse (402) 456-7669 www.omahanorthhillspotterytour.com

Oct 2-3

York, York County

Tractor, Engine and Auto Show & Barn Dance

Wessels Living History Farm, 1 mi. S. of I-80 Exit 353 Tractor, engine and auto exhibits, working demonstrations, tractor games, food vendors and barn dance. 10am-4:30pm, barn dance 4:30-dusk on Oct 2, \$2-\$5 Dale Clark (402) 710-0682 www.livinghistoryfarm.org

Oct 3

Belvidere, Thayer County

Thayer County's Fall Festival

110 Ninth Ave Crafts, historical demonstrations, musical entertainment, agricultural barn open, antique cars and horse-drawn wagon rides. 11am-5pm, \$0.50 Annette Laber (402) 768-2327

Oct 3

Brownville, Nemaha County

Cavalcade of the Classics

Concert Hall 2pm, \$15 (402) 825-3331 www.brownvilleconcertseries.com

Oct 3

Elyria, Valley County

Elyria Pumpkin Festival

Community hall, 303 Valley Ave Children's games, pumpkins for sale, craft show and lunch. 11am-4pm, Free Sharon Iwanski (308) 728-5727 www.visitvalleycounty.com

Oct 3

Goehner, Seward County

Seward County Museum's Car Show

N. of I-80 Exit 273 All museum buildings are open to the public. Lunch stand, steam and electric train rides and classic cars on display. Noon-4pm, \$15 to enter your classic car, free for spectators VB Johnson (402) 523-4460 www.sewardcountymuseum.org

Oct 3

Hastings, Adams County

Harvest Celebration

Prairie Loft Center for Outdoor & Agricultural Learning, 4705 DLD Rd Petting zoo, wagon rides, art activities, farm equipment display, farmers market, cultural workshops, music, food and more. 1-6pm, Free Amy Sandeen (402) 463-0565 www.prairieloft.org

Oct 3

York, York County

5th Annual October Czechfest

City auditorium, 6th & Nebraska Promoting Czech heritage through music, dance, dress, food and demonstrations. 11am-5:30pm, Free Gary Vavra (402) 724-2556 www.nebraskaczechs.org

Oct 4

Omaha, Douglas County

Michael Bolton

Holland Performing Arts Center, 1200 Douglas St 7:30pm (402) 345-0606 www.omahaperformingarts.org/about-us/

Oct 5

Omaha, Douglas County

Cavalcade of the Classics

UNO - Strauss Performing Arts Center 7:30pm, \$35 (402) 825-3331 www.brownvilleconcertseries.com

Oct 7-10

Brownville, Nemaha County

Paint Brownville Autumn (Plein Aire Art Event) and Old Time Autumn

City-wide Artists from around the region paint in open air format. Largest pumpkin contest, river boat cruises, hayrack rides, food and entertainment. 8am-9pm Jay Tallmon (402) 825-3982 www.brownville-ne.com

Oct 7-9

Seward, Seward County

Seward County Fall Festival

Fairgrounds Unique events including a cemetery tour, pumpkin chuckin' contest, children's spider weaving contests, pumpkin pie contest and harvest feast. Free Pat Coldiron (402) 643-4189 www.sewardne.com

Oct 9

Alliance, Box Butte County

Red Neck Roundup 2010

Box Butte Ave Redneck car show, invention contest, cowpie Bingo, miniature bull riding, redneck obstacle course and more. Dukes of Hazard look alikes welcome! (308) 762-1520 www.alliancechamber.com

Oct 9

Arapahoe, Furnas County

Holiday Highlights Craft and Gift Show

411 6th St One of the largest fall craft and gift shows in the state. 9am-4pm, Free Tammie Middagh (308) 962-7777 www.arapahoe-ne.com

Oct 9

Brainard, Butler County

27th Annual Bohemian Alps Half Marathon

City park Take part in the 13.1 mile footrace through Brainard's rural countryside. Hilly gravel and dirt roadways, some cross country trail and some bike path. 9:30am, \$30 Dale Nielsen (402) 545-2631 dalenielson68626.tripod.com

Oct 9

Kearney, Buffalo County

Archway Harvest Fair

Great Platte River Road Archway, 3060 E. 1st St Enjoy harvest themed children's games, homemade pies, scarecrow competitions and entertainment. 10am-3pm, Free Ronnie O'Brien (308) 237-1000 www.archway.org

Oct 9

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Silverhawk Arts & Crafts Fair

Lincoln Southwest High School, 7001 S. 14th St More than 70 vendors with hand-made, top-quality items. 9am-4pm, \$1 Jake Sedivy (402) 436-1306

Oct 9-10

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Seasons of Crafts

Lancaster Event Center, 84th & Havelock Ave Sat, 9am-6pm; Sun, 10am-4pm, Free Mary Marik (402) 489-5001 www.lancastereventcenter.com

Oct 9-10

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Lancaster Antique Show and Sale

Lancaster Event Center, 84th & Havelock Ave Sat, 9am-6pm; Sun, 10am-4pm, \$3.50 Rhonda Blank (402) 432-1451 www.lancastereventcenter.com

Oct 9-23

Shubert, Richardson County

Haunted Hollow Hayrack Rides at Indian Cave State Park

2 mi. N. & 5 mi. E. on Hwy 64E Fri & Sat, 7:30-10pm, Park permit plus \$4-\$6 Kevin Holliday (402) 883-2575 www.outdoornebraska.org

Oct 10

Avoca, Cass County

Schoolhouse Fiddling Bee

The Old Schoolhouse, 504 Garfield St Fiddlers of all abilities compete for cash prizes and merchandise. 2:30pm, \$1-\$5 David Seay (402) 275-3221 www.greenblattandseay.com

Oct 12-16

Hastings, Adams County

Nebraska Country Music Foundation's 30th Annual Festival

Fairgrounds, 947 S. Baltimore Ave Competition for performers and songwriters. Professional, semi-pro and amateur divisions. Showcases, food, raffles and fun. 7pm Deb Shaw (402) 726-2140 www.ncmf.com

Oct 15

Omaha, Douglas County

Boston Brass/Imani Winds - Sketches of Spain

Holland Performing Arts Center, 1200 Douglas St 8pm (402) 345-0606 www.omahaperformingarts.org

Oct 15-16

Grand Island, Hall County

All Hallows Eve

Stuhr Museum of the Prairie Pioneer, 3133 W. US Hwy 34 The spooks of Railroad Town are waiting for you. Grab some candy on the treat trail, bob for doughnuts and apples or get a fun fright in the Haunted Field. Don't forget your costume. 6-9pm, \$6-\$8 Martha Paulsen (308) 385-5316 www.stuhrmuseum.org

Oct 15-17

Omaha, Douglas County

Fall Home and Garden Expo

Qwest Center, 455 N. 10th St Fri, 5-9pm; Sat, 11am-10pm; Sun, 11am-5pm, \$7, under 12 yrs free admission (402) 346-8003 www.showofficeonline.com

Oct 15-17

Wakefield, Dixon County

Hot Air Balloon Festival

8th & Highland Sts Balloon launches, craft fair, food vendors, live entertainment, children's activities and omelet feed. Free Nicki Decker (402) 287-2080 www.ci.wakefield.ne.us

Oct 15-31

Manley, Cass County

Unnecessary Farce

Lofte Community Theatre High energy comedy full of fast paced dialogue and wacky characters. Thu-Sat, 7:30pm; Sun, 2pm, \$16 Anne Pope (402) 234-2553 www.lofte.com

Oct 16

Howells, Colfax County

Craft Show

Howells Ballroom More than 50 exhibitors of crafts and home décor, book sales, bake sale and concessions. 9am-4pm, \$1 Lisa Bayer (402) 986-1552 www.ci.howells.ne.us

Oct 16 & 23

Ponca, Dixon County

Hallowfest at Ponca State Park

88090 Spur 26 E The park's annual autumn event featuring haunted hayrack rides, pumpkin rolling and carving contest, campsite decorating contest and more. Hayride reservations available beginning Oct 11. Jennifer Wolff (402) 755-2284 www.outdoornebraska.org

Listing of Events by Month

Oct 16-24

Scotia, Greeley County Haunted Hollow

Happy Jack Peak & Chalk Mine Tickets available at Scotia Community Building, then take bus to the mine. Twenty minute tours through the mine. Fri-Sat, 6-9pm; Sun, 1-5pm, \$6 Rick Pedersen (308) 245-3276 www.happyjackchalkmine.com

Oct 19-24

Omaha, Douglas County West Side Story

Orpheum Theater (402) 345-0606
www.omahaperformingarts.org

Oct 22-24

Ashland, Saunders County

Holiday Craft Show at Eugene T. Mahoney State Park

I-80 Exit 426 Crafts, face painting, kettle korn and fall and winter activities. Fri, 4-8pm; Sat, 9am-7pm; Sun, 9am-3pm, Park entry permit required Adam Offner (402) 944-2523 www.outdoornebraska.org

Oct 22-24

Brownville, Nemaha County

Tony DeSare

Concert Hall 7:30pm, 2pm on Sun, \$15-\$20 (402) 825-3331 www.brownvilleconcertseries.com

Oct 22-24

York, York County

Scream on the Square

City-wide Monster's ball, cemetery tours, scarecrow contest, ugliest gourd growing contest, pumpkin recipe contest and the National Scream Contest. (402) 362-5531 www.yorkchamber.org

Oct 23

Ashland, Saunders County

4th Annual Ashland Fall Festival

City-wide Quilt trunk shows and displays, world market, craft show and specials throughout downtown. 9:30am-2pm, \$2 Audrey Williams (402) 521-0098 www.historicashland.com

Oct 23

Beatrice, Gage County

Howling Homestead

Homestead National Monument of America, 8523 W. Hwy 4 A fun family event celebrating the end of the harvest season. 6pm, Free Susan Cook (402) 223-3514 www.nps.gov/home

Oct 23

Kearney, Buffalo County

Fall Festival of Crafts Show

Buffalo County Fairgrounds, 1400 E. 34th St More than 230 booths. 9am-5pm, Free Marlene Hadwiger (308) 234-4671

Oct 23

Nebraska City, Otoe County

Great Pumpkin Party

Arbor Day Farm Tree Adventure, 2611 Arbor Ave Come in costume and experience the Great Pumpkin Hunt, meet Karly Cardinal and friends, pick pumpkins and enjoy caramel apples and pie. 1-6pm, \$4.50-\$6.50 Beverly Todd (402) 874-9296 www.arbordayfarm.org

Oct 23

Wausa, Knox County

Wausa Smorgasbord Event

City auditorium Swedish food festival with authentic foods, Swedish dancers, entertainment and local crafters. 5-9pm Joni Burns (402) 586-2334 www.mywausanews.com

Oct 23, 28, 30-31

Grant, Perkins County Cornstalk

2 mi. E. on Rd 766 from Hwy 61, 1 mi. N. on Rd 330 to 76645 Rd 330 Haunted Halloween village, cornfield maze, haunted barnyard, Trees of Terror, Lost Soul Train Rides and more. Fun for all ages! Open Oct 23 & 30, 6-11pm and Oct 28 & 31, 6-9:30pm., \$3.50, unlimited haunt passes available John Jackson (308) 352-8126 www.cornstalkonline.com

Oct 24

Hastings, Adams County

Hastings Symphony Orchestra

Masonic Center, 411 N. Hastings St 3pm, \$5-\$13 Jodi Mackin (402) 469-9396 www.hastingsssymphony.com

Oct 24

Monroe, Platte County

Halloween Carnival

City auditorium Carnival games, free popcorn and cotton candy, prizes and raffle. 1-4pm, Free Casey Spitz (402) 910-7978

Oct 24

York, York County

Boo at the Farm

Wessels Living History Farm, 1 mi. S. of I-80 Exit 353 Celebrate Halloween on the farm. Games and prizes, free pumpkins, balloons and refreshments. 1:30-3:30pm, \$2-\$5 Dale Clark (402) 710-0682 www.livinghistoryfarm.org

Oct 25

Omaha, Douglas County

An Evening with David Sedaris

Holland Performing Arts Center, 1200 Douglas St 7:30pm (402) 345-0606 www.omahaperformingarts.org

Oct 28

Beatrice, Gage County

Night of the Great Pumpkin

Downtown Family event featuring pumpkin bowling, witches brew, professional photos, games and trick-or-treating. 5-7pm, Free (402) 223-3244 www.mainstreetbeatrice.org

Oct 29

Omaha, Douglas County

DIABOLO with Omaha Symphony

Holland Performing Arts Center, 1200 Douglas St 8pm (402) 345-0606 www.omahaperformingarts.org

Oct 31

Petersburg, Boone County

Punkin' Chunkin'

1 mi. E. Contest to see who can shoot a 10-lb pumpkin the farthest with a catapult or air cannon. It's a blast! (402) 386-5551 www.ci.petersburg.ne.us

Nov

Beatrice, Gage County

Annual Nebraska Governor's Celebrity Pheasant Hunt

Beatrice Gun Club, 5954 W. Hoyt Rd Enjoy a classic hunt and European hunt. Entrance fees include dogs, guides, celebrity partner, reception, breakfast and more. \$250 (402) 223-3244 www.mainstreetbeatrice.org

Nov

Seward, Seward County

Seward Junior Women's Club Annual Fall Craft Fair

Fairgrounds More than 100 vendors with a variety of products. Free Melissa Schultz (402) 440-3948 www.sewardne.com

Nov 3

Omaha, Douglas County Jeff Daniels

Holland Performing Arts Center, 1200 Douglas St 7:30pm (402) 345-0606 www.omahaperformingarts.org

Nov 4

Omaha, Douglas County Chicago Blues Reunion

Holland Performing Arts Center, 1200 Douglas St 8pm (402) 345-0606 www.omahaperformingarts.org

Nov 4-7

Broken Bow, Custer County

Nebraska One Box Pheasant Hunt

One Box Gun Club Teams hunt from several sights in Valley, Sherman and Custer Counties. Paul and Connie Ulmer (308) 870-0701 www.nebraskaonebox.com

Nov 4-7

Omaha, Douglas County

Autumn Festival, An Arts and Crafts Affair

Qwest Center, 455 N. 10th St Hundreds of the nation's finest artists and crafts people from around the country. One of the top 100 shows in the country. Thu-Fri, 11am-9pm; Sat, 9am-7pm; Sun, 10am-5pm, \$6-\$7 (402) 331-2889 hpifestivals.com

Nov 5

Omaha, Douglas County

Cherry Poppin' Daddies

Holland Performing Arts Center, 1200 Douglas St 8pm (402) 345-0606 www.omahaperformingarts.org

Nov 5-6

Grand Island, Hall County

Breeder's Cup Day Events

Heartland Events Center, 700 E. Stolley Park Rd Honoring the Horse of the Year and other champions in the sport. (308) 382-4515 www.heartlandeventscenter.com

Nov 6

Bellevue, Sarpy County

Nebraska's Official Veterans Day Parade

Downtown on Mission Ave Patriotic parade. 10am, Free Megan Lucas (402) 898-3000 www.bellevuenebraska.com

Nov 6

Bertrand, Phelps County

2010 Fall Craft Show

Community school and building Visit 100 vendors in 2 buildings. 9am-3pm, Free Janice Gengenbach (308) 472-5092

Nov 6

Eustis, Frontier County

Craft Fair

Fair building, Legion Hall and Senior Center Crafts in 3 locations around town. 9am-3pm, Free Sharolyn Schmeeckle (308) 486-5511

Nov 6

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Nebraska Book Festival - Plains Writers, Great Readers

Nebraska History Museum Variety of literary activities featuring Nebraska writers and their work. 9am-5pm, Free Mary Jo Ryan (402) 471-3434 www.nebraskabookfestival.org

Nov 6

Norfolk, Madison County

Cornucopia Craft Gifttque

City auditorium, 127 N. 1st 9am-5pm, Free Sharon Pohlman (402) 564-1845

Listing of Events by Month

Nov 6

Seward, Seward County
Pamper Me Boutique

Fairgrounds, 4-H Bldg Pamper yourself before the holidays. Shopping, food, massages, manicures and spa treatments. 9am-2pm, Donation Jonathan Jank (402) 643-3695
www.sewardcountycasa.org/boutique.htm

Nov 6-7 & 13-14

Homer, Dakota County

O'Connor House Christmas Tour

2 mi. E. of the Pronto Station Featuring the Victorian mansion with 15 rooms decorated for the holidays. noon-4pm, Donation Paul Culbertson (402) 987-3330 www.dakotacountyhistoricalsociety.com

Nov 6-7 & 20

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Seasons of Crafts

Lancaster Event Center, 84th & Havelock Ave Sat, 9am-5pm; Sun, 10am-4pm, Free Mary Marik (402) 489-5001 www.lancastereventcenter.com

Nov 7

Manley, Cass County

Salute to Veterans

Lofte Community Theatre Live concert in honor of all who have served and the families who support them. Wear your red, white and blue. 2pm, Free (402) 234-2553 www.lofte.com

Nov 9-14

Omaha, Douglas County

Dr. Seuss' How the Grinch Stole Christmas

Orpheum Theater (402) 345-0606
www.omahaperformingarts.org

Nov 11-13

Grand Island, Hall County

Nebraska High School State Volleyball Tournament

Heartland Events Center, 700 E. Stolley Park Rd \$5-\$7 (308) 382-4515 www.heartlandeventscenter.com

Nov 11-14

Giltner, Hamilton County

Country Crafts and Friends

307 W. 5 Rd More than 30 vendors with handmade crafts in a store-like setting. 10am-5pm, Free Cindy Consbruck (402) 849-2927

Nov 12

Franklin, Franklin County

End of Harvest Celebration

Fairgrounds Free indoor BBQ, dancing and entertainment. 6pm-midnight, Free Pat Ayres (308) 470-0499 www.franklinnebraska.com

Nov 13

Kearney, Buffalo County

Holiday Splendor Craft Show and Products Premier

Fairgrounds 9am-4pm, Free Kyla Martin (308) 440-0153 www.mnca.net

Nov 13

Neligh, Antelope County

Rafts of Crafts

Elmer Lindahl Gym 10am-5pm Kay Stearns (402) 887-5128 www.neligh.net

Nov 14

Avoca, Cass County

Schoolhouse Performance Series featuring Greenblatt & Seay

The Old Schoolhouse, 504 Garfield St 2:30pm, \$1-\$5 David Seay (402) 275-3221
www.greenblattandseay.com

Nov 17-18

McCook, Red Willow County

McCook Farm and Ranch Expo

Red Willow County Fairgrounds Promoting and demonstrating products and services in agriculture. Nov 17, 9am-7pm; Nov 18, 9am-4pm, Free Darren Dale (785) 426-2092
www.mccookfarmandranchexpo.net

Nov 18

Columbus, Platte County

Downtown Christmas Stroll

Downtown, 13th St to 26th Ave Start off the holiday season with a festive atmosphere of lights, music, carriage and trolley rides, food, fun and bargains. 4-8pm, Free Kevin Johnson (402) 564-1307
www.columbusdowntown.com

Nov 19

Hartington, Cedar County

Candlelight Christmas and Lighted Vehicle Parade

Downtown Silhouette lighting, living Christmas scenes, luminaries and a lighted vehicle parade. Parade begins at 7pm, Free Cindy Howey (402) 254-6939 www.hartingtonchamber.com

Nov 19

Omaha, Douglas County

Dee Dee Bridgewater - To Billie with Love - A Celebration of Lady Day

Holland Performing Arts Center, 1200 Douglas St 8pm (402) 345-0606 www.omahaperformingarts.org

Nov 20

Franklin, Franklin County

Parade of Lights

15th Ave Parade of lights followed by a chili cook-off. 6pm, Free Pat Ayres (308) 470-0499
www.franklinnebraska.com

Nov 20

Grand Island, Hall County

18th Annual Gift Show & Bake Sale

Northwest High School, 2700 N. North Rd All types of crafts and home base businesses. 9am-3pm, Free Karen Olson (308) 379-7753
www.ginorthwest.org

Nov 20

Ogallala, Keith County

Annual Arts and Crafts Show

Fairgrounds Orla Kitt (308) 284-4066
www.visitogallala.com

Nov 20

Ord, Valley County

Candy Cane Lane Craft Show

Veterans Club, 246 15th St More than 50 booths. 9am-4pm, Free Angie Kokes (308) 496-4477
www.ordnebraska.com

Nov 20

York, York County

Holiday Craft, Art and Food Show

City auditorium, 6th & Nebraska Ave Hand-made products, entertainment, vendors, prizes and taste of the holidays. 9am-5pm, Free Todd Kirshenbaum (402) 362-5531 www.yorkchamber.org

Nov 20-21

Platte Center, Platte County

Harvestfest

Town hall Craft show and pancake feed. Sat, 9am-4pm; Sun, 8am-4pm, Free Sharon Pohlman (402) 564-1845

Nov 20-Dec 19

Brownville, Nemaha County

Brownville Old Time Christmas

City-wide Open houses, light displays, concerts and more each weekend during the holiday season. Weekends, 8am-5pm, Free Jay Tallmon (402) 825-3982 www.brownville-ne.com

Nov 20-Dec 31

Hastings, Adams County

28th Annual Festival of Trees

Hastings Museum, 14th & Burlington Ave See the museum in a whole new light. More than 50 decorated trees on display to celebrate the holiday season. \$5-\$7 (800) 508-4629
www.hastingsmuseum.org

Nov 21

Brownville, Nemaha County

Jennifer Johnson, Mezzo Soprano

Concert Hall 2pm, \$15 (402) 825-3331
www.brownvilleconcertseries.com

Nov 21

Lodgepole, Cheyenne County

Christmas Decorating Party

Museum on Hwy 30 Make hand-strung popcorn for the tree and enjoy a hayrack ride or sleigh ride. Free (308) 483-5353

Nov 22

Tekamah, Burt County

Fantasy of Trees Tour

Burt County Museum, 319 N. 13th St The museum and complex are decked out for the holidays. 6:30-9pm, Donation Bonnie Newell (402) 374-1505
www.huntel.net/community/burtcomuseum

Nov 22-Dec 31

Grand Island, Hall County

Fantasy of Trees

Stuhr Museum, 3133 W. Hwy 34 Experience the wonder of the Christmas Tree through this beautiful display. Mon-Sat, 9am-5pm; Sun, noon-5pm, \$4-\$6 Kari Stofer (308) 385-5316 www.stuhrmuseum.org

Nov 25

Elgin, Antelope County

86th Annual Thanksgiving Bazaar

St. Boniface auditorium, 209 Remington St Turkey, sausage and dressing dinner with all the trimmings including homemade pie. 11am-2pm, \$9 Michele Reicks (402) 843-2345 www.stbonparishes.com

Nov 25-Dec 31

Omaha, Douglas County

Holiday Lights Festival

Various downtown and Old Market locations Showcasing downtown Omaha and celebrating the spirit of the holidays with a full season of attractions and family friendly activities. Free Carly Barth (402) 345-5401 www.holidaylightsfestival.org

Nov 26

Minden, Kearney County

Christmas Traditions Celebration

Downtown Square Enjoy an old-fashioned celebration including a craft show, free Christmas movie, projects for the kids, twilight parade and lighting of the courthouse lights. 11am-6pm, Free Marcy Brandt (308) 832-1811 www.mindenne.org

Nov 26

Omaha, Douglas County

Christmas at Union Station Tree Lighting Ceremony

The Durham Museum, 801 S. 11th St Lighting of Omaha's largest Christmas tree, live music, holiday miniatures display and more. (402) 444-5071
www.durhammuseum.org

Listing of Events by Month

Nov 26

Papillion, Sarpy County

Winter Wonderland Holiday Lighting Ceremony

122 E. Third St Lighting ceremony, hot chocolate, huge bonfire, carriage rides, visits from Santa, crafts and more. 6-8pm, Free Racheal Cascio (402) 331-3917 www.papillionfoundation.org

Nov 26

Sidney, Cheyenne County

Old-Fashioned Christmas and Lamplight Tours

10th & Illinois and Ft. Sidney Museum Santa arrives, lighting of the community tree, music, hayrack rides and hot chocolate. Events begin at 5pm, Free (308) 254-5851 www.cheyennecountychamber.com

Nov 26

Wymore, Gage County

Treasure Hunt Holiday Event

Downtown Hunt for your number to win a prize! Visits from Santa and Mrs. Claus and soup supper. 5-7pm (402) 674-3205

Nov 26-Dec 31

Beatrice, Gage County

Winter Festival

Homestead National Monument of America, 8523 W. Hwy 4 Celebrate the winter traditions of homesteaders with special programs and entertainment. Programs on Nov 28, Dec 5 & 12 at 1 and 3pm, Free Susan Cook (402) 223-3514 www.nps.gov/home

Nov 26-Dec 31

Omaha, Douglas County

Holiday Poinsettia Show

Lauritzen Gardens Spectacular exhibit includes a 20-ft poinsettia tree, beautifully decorated Christmas trees, antique sleighs and a model trail that travels through the display. 9am-5pm, \$3-\$6 Maureen Thomsen (402) 346-4002 www.lauritzengardens.org

Nov 27

Kimball, Kimball County

Parade of Lights

Downtown Enjoy the arrival of Santa and downtown displays. 6-9pm, Free (308) 235-3782 www.ci.kimball.ne.us

Nov 27

Odell, Gage County

35th Annual Craft Show

High School 9am-4pm Jull Scheele (402) 766-4377 www.odell-nebraska.us

Nov 27

Ord, Valley County

Winter Fest

Downtown Christmas parade, caroling, children's movies and more in the spirit of the holiday season. Free Brenda Knight (308) 728-3639 www.ordnebraska.com

Nov 27, Dec 5 & 12

Minden, Kearney County

"Light of the World" Christmas Pageant

Downtown square Since 1946 this outdoor pageant has been performed annually by volunteers of all ages. The finale is the illumination of over 10,000 lights. 7pm, Free Marcy Brandt (308) 832-1811 www.mindenne.org

Nov 27-28

Columbus, Platte County

Turkeyfest Crafts

Center 30 Mall, 23rd St & 32nd Ave Sat, 9am-5pm; Sun, 10am-4pm, Free Sharon Pohlman (402) 564-1845

Nov 27-28

Fordyce, Cedar County

9th Annual WJ Ranch Cowboy Christmas

WJ Ranch, 55659 892 Rd Featuring arts and crafts from more than 45 vendors, buggy and pony rides, trick roping demonstrations and more. 11am-5pm, Free Jan Schiferl (402) 357-2102 www.schiferlswjranch.com

Nov 27-Dec 31

Omaha, Douglas County

LightPLAY

Omaha Children's Museum, 500 S. 20th St Children and families celebrate the holidays with playful lights that dance to music. Imaginations will soar with light, sound and special effects. Museum admission (402) 342-6164 www.ocm.org

Nov 28-Dec 12

Schuyler, Colfax County

Craft Show

Saint Benedict Center, 1126 Rd I Variety of crafts and gifts by area artists and unique display of nativity scenes from around the world. Mon-Fri, 2-6:30pm; Sat-Sun, 10am-7pm, Free (402) 352-8819 www.stbenedictcenter.com

Dec

Hemingford, Box Butte County

Holiday Homecoming

City-wide Get into the spirit of the holidays with the lighting of the Christmas tree, soup supper and more. Phyllis Jesse (308) 762-3876 www.ci.hemingford.ne.us

Dec 1

Brule, Keith County

Hometown Holiday

City-wide Denise Moorhead (308) 289-6928

Dec 1-30

Creighton, Knox County

Creighton's Santaland

Bruce Park Drive through the holiday light displays, open daily 6-10pm. Visit Santa's workshop Dec 4-23, Sun-Thu, 6:30-9pm and Fri-Sat, 7-10pm. Free (402) 358-3557 www.creighton.org

Dec 1-30

Fremont, Dodge County

Christmas at the May Museum

1643 N. Nye Ave View beautiful holiday decorations. Wed-Sun, 1:30-4:30pm, \$4 Patty Manhart (402) 721-4515

Dec 1-31

Belvidere, Thayer County

Christmas Parade of Trees

Thayer County Historical Society, 110 Ninth Ave More than 80 trees decorated with vintage and modern decorations. 1-4pm, \$1 Annette Laber (402) 768-2327

Dec 1-31

Grand Island, Hall County

In the Spirit

Prairie Winds Art Center, 112 W. 3rd St Holiday fantasy of art and gifts to put you into the Christmas spirit. Mon-Sat, 10am-5:30pm, Free Charl Mitchell (308) 381-4001 www.prairiewindsart.com

Dec 2

Alliance, Box Butte County

Christmas Parade of Lights

Box Butte Ave 6pm, Free (308) 762-1520 www.alliancechamber.com

Dec 2

Ogallala, Keith County

Christmas Parade of Lights

Downtown (308) 284-4066 www.visitogallala.com

Dec 2-15

Geneva, Fillmore County

Christmas in Geneva

Downtown Fun-filled festivities in the historic downtown area. Tour of homes, children's activities, visits from Santa and more. Lori Loontjer (402) 759-1155 www.ci.geneva.ne.us

Dec 3

Omaha, Douglas County

Ethnic Holiday Festival

The Durham Museum, 801 S. 11th St Enjoy Christmas around the world without leaving Omaha. (402) 444-5071 www.durhammuseum.org

Dec 3

Omaha, Douglas County

Quartetto Gelato

Holland Performing Arts Center, 1200 Douglas St 8pm (402) 345-0606 www.omahaperformingarts.org

Dec 3

Plattsmouth, Cass County

Hometown Holidays

Main St Pet the reindeer at Kringle's Stables, sit on Santa's lap at Santa Land, view the tree lighting, stroll Main Street and take a horse drawn carriage ride. 5-8:30pm, Free (402) 296-6021 www.plattsmouthchamber.com

Dec 3-5

Omaha, Douglas County

Aspen Santa Fe's Ballet: The Nutcracker

Orpheum Theater (402) 345-0606 www.omahaperformingarts.org

Dec 4

Dannebrog, Howard County

Old-Fashioned Danish Christmas

Main St Entertainment, Danish dancers and children's bell choir. Enjoy Danish pastries and holiday cheer. 8am-10pm Shirley Johnson (308) 226-2237 www.dannebrog.org

Dec 4

Gering, Scotts Bluff County

Christmas on the Prairie

Scotts Bluff National Monument Enjoy this historic Christmas celebration. (308) 436-9700 www.nps.gov/scbl

Dec 4

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Star City Holiday Parade

Downtown Larger than life helium balloons, fantastic floats, bands and Santa Claus come to downtown Lincoln for the largest parade of its kind in a 5 state region. 11am, Free Deb Johnson (402) 434-6902 www.starcityholidayparade.org

Dec 4

Schuyler, Colfax County

Christmas Pageant

Saint Benedict Center, 1126 Rd I The Christmas story is acted out in the amphitheater and around the lake. Refreshments follow. 5 & 7pm, \$1-\$3 (402) 352-8819 www.stbenedictcenter.com

Dec 4

Syracuse, Otoe County

Tannenbaum

5th St & Midland Tour of homes, visits from Santa, lighting of the Christmas tree and more. Free Lynn Wilhelm (402) 269-2601 www.syracusene.com

Dec 4

Weeping Water, Cass County

Come Home for the Holidays

Main St Cookies and candy, visits from Santa and Mrs. Claus, decorating contests, coloring contest, craft show and more. 8am-4pm, Free Kay Gerdes (402) 267-5152 www.weepingwaternebraska.com

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Dec 4-12

Grand Island, Hall County

Christmas Past and Present

Stuhr Museum, 3133 W. Hwy 34 Beautiful lamp lit tours of Railroad Town, cooking, crafts, decorations, live music and the sights, sounds and smells of an authentic 1890s holiday. Fri-Sat, 6-9pm; Sun, 2-5pm, \$6-\$8 Martha Paulsen (308) 385-5316 www.stuhrmuseum.org

Dec 4-12

Kearney, Buffalo County

23rd Annual Christmas Tree Walk

Trails & Rails Museum More than two dozen Christmas trees, special exhibits, basket weavers, woodcarvers, dancers, visits from Mrs. Claus and more. Bring your loose change for the Penny Wars voting. Daily, 1-5pm, \$2-\$5 Jennifer Murrish (308) 234-3041 www.bchs.us

Dec 4-12

Red Cloud, Webster County

Festival of Trees

Webster County Historical Museum, 721 W. 4th Ave Themed trees will be on display. 1-5pm, Donation Joyce Terhune (402) 746-2444

Dec 4-26

Elmwood, Cass County

Journey Into Christmas Open House Weekends

Bess Streeter Aldrich House, 204 E. F St See every room dressed for the holidays. 2-5pm, \$3-\$5 Teresa Lorensen (402) 994-3855 www.bessstreeteraldrich.org

Dec 4-5

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Seasons of Crafts

Lancaster Event Center, 84th & Havelock Ave Sat, 9am-5pm; Sun, 10am-4pm, Free Mary Marik (402) 489-5001 www.lancastereventcenter.com

Dec 4-5

Omaha, Douglas County

Holiday Happening

Lauritzen Gardens A weekend full of holiday cheer and activities including a poinsettia show, live holiday music, holiday food, photos with Santa and children's creative garden holiday crafts. noon-4pm, \$3-\$6 Maureen Thomsen (402) 346-4002 www.lauritzengardens.org

Dec 4-5

Omaha, Douglas County

Hot Shops Holiday Open House

Hot Shops Art Center, 1301 Nicholas St Informative demonstrations, live music and more than 50 art studios. Glass blowing, pottery, bronze casting and blacksmithing. Sat, noon-8pm; Sun, noon-5pm, Free Tim Barry (402) 342-6452 www.hotshopsartcenter.com

Dec 4-5

Wahoo, Saunders County

Christmas on the Prairie

Saunders County Museum Old-fashioned displays and activities. 2-8pm, Free Erin Hauser (402) 443-3090

Dec 5

Ainsworth, Brown County

Christmas Open House and Gingerbread House Contest

Brown County Historical Society, 5th St & Old Hwy 7 1-4pm, Free Carol Larson (402) 387-2061

Dec 5

Ainsworth, Brown County

Christmas City of the Sandhills Events

Cotton Woodvilla Cake decorating and gift wrapping contests, live pageant, parade of trees and visits from Santa. Leslie Holmes (402) 387-2740 www.ainsworthchamber.com

Dec 5

Madison, Madison County

Christmas in Madison and Union Creek Railroad Festival

Downtown & Madison County Museum Visits from Santa Claus, craft show, caroling, tour of homes and more. Railroad models depict the rail era of settlement at the Madison County Museum. (402) 454-2251 www.madisoncountyhistory.org

Dec 5

Omaha, Douglas County

Christmas in Germany

German American Society, 3717 S. 120th St Holiday foods, Christmas market, woodcarvers, caroling and more. 11:30am-6:30pm, Free (402) 333-6615 www.germanamericansociety.org

Dec 5

Potter, Cheyenne County

Old-Fashioned Christmas

Downtown Food, caroling, horse drawn wagon rides, crafts and more. Free Kirk Enevoldsen (308) 879-4451

Dec 5

Wisner, Cumming County

Christmas Celebration

Businesses along Ave E & city auditorium Activities for all ages including a soup dinner, caroling, games, visits from Santa, living windows, tree lighting and more. 11am-5pm, Donation for dinner Peggy Liermann (402) 529-3338 www.wisnerareachamberofcommerce.com

Dec 5 & 12

Merriman, Cherry County

Christmas at the Bowring

Arthur Bowring Sandhills Ranch SHP A fun-filled evening including a delicious meal and entertainment. 6-9pm, Park entry permit required, call for meal fee info Diane Burress (308) 684-3428

Dec 5-12

Alliance, Box Butte County

15th Annual Christmas Tree and Wreath Festival

Knight Museum and Sandhills Center, 908 Yellowstone Ave Themed trees and wreaths on display with nightly musical entertainment. Week long silent auction to benefit Sallows Military Museum. 8am-8pm, Free Becci Thomas (308) 762-2384 www.cityofalliance.net

Dec 5-12

Fremont, Dodge County

Star of Bethlehem Planetarium Program

Midland Lutheran College, 900 N. Clarkson View the skies as they appeared more than 2,000 years ago. Sat, 2 & 4pm; Sun, 3pm, \$2-\$3 Greg Clements (402) 941-6353 www.mlc.edu/planetarium

Dec 6

Arnold, Custer County

Christmas Around Town

City-wide Christmas shopping, visits from Santa, play at the Rialto Theater and more. Kristi Dvorak (308) 848-2211 www.arnoldne.org

Dec 6

Chappell, Deuel County

Christmas Downtown

Downtown Christmas shopping, rides for children on the fire engine, pictures with Santa and food vendors. (308) 874-2401 www.chappellne.org

Dec 6

Sutton, Clay County

Parade of Lights

Downtown Kick off the holiday season with a lighted parade, cookie decorating, Santa visits, holiday music, train rides, horse and buggy rides and more. 5pm, Free Amy Skalka (402) 773-4233 www.suttonchamber.org

Dec 6-12

Boys Town, Douglas County

Irish Christmas at Father Flanagan's House

Father Flanagan's House in Boys Town The historic house is open for visitors to discover Irish Christmas traditions from Father Flanagan's children in Ireland. Quilts, ornaments, toys and displays from the 1920s. 10am-4pm, Free Tom Lynch (402) 498-1186 www.boystown.org

Dec 8-9

Lincoln, Lancaster County

Nebraska Power Farming Show

Lancaster Event Center, 84th & Havelock Ave Largest indoor farm show in Nebraska with more than 500 companies displaying ag products. 9am-4pm, Free Will Rogers (515) 223-5119 www.nebraskapowershow.com

Dec 10-11

Omaha, Douglas County

15th Annual Christmas at the Cathedral

St. Cecelia Cathedral, 701 N. 40th St The Omaha Symphonic Chorus presents selected carols and original works for the Christmas season. Accompanied by the Omaha Symphony Chamber Orchestra. 8pm, \$15-\$25 Belinda Greiner (402) 496-0602 www.omahasymphonicchorus.org

Dec 10-12

Brownville, Nemaha County

Christmas Gala with Alex Rybek

Concert Hall 7:30pm, 2pm on Sun, \$15-\$20 (402) 825-3331 www.brownvilleconcertseries.com

Dec 11

Omaha, Douglas County

Sachal Vasandani

Holland Performing Arts Center, 1200 Douglas St 8pm (402) 345-0606 www.omahaperformingarts.org

Dec 11-12

Columbus, Platte County

Christmas Rush

Center 30 Mall, 23rd St & 32nd Ave Sat, 9am-5pm; Sun, 10am-4pm, Free Sharon Pohlman (402) 564-1845

Dec 11-22

York, York County

Christmas on the Farm

Wessels Living History Farm, 1 mi S. of I-80 Exit 353 Experience the sights, sounds, smells and flavors of the 1920s. Modern lighted village and refreshments. 1-4pm, \$2-\$5 Dale Clark (402) 710-0682 www.livinghistoryfarm.org

Dec 11-31

Gothenburg, Dawson County

Shining Light Celebration

KOA Campground, I-80 & Hwy 47 More than 10,000 lights and holiday sounds welcome you at the magical wonderland of sparkling displays. Visit Santa and enjoy a warm cup of apple cider. 6-10pm, Donation Barry McDiarmid (308) 537-7387 www.gothenburgdelivers.com

Dec 12

Hastings, Adams County

Hastings Symphony Orchestra

Masonic Center, 411 N. Hastings St 3pm, \$5-\$13 Jodi Mackin (402) 469-9396 www.hastingsssymphony.com

Dec 13

Minden, Kearney County

Christmas Gala with Alex Rybek

Opera House 7:30pm, \$35 (402) 825-3331 www.brownvilleconcertseries.com

Listing of Events by Month

Dec 15

Merriman, Cherry County

Bowring Ranch Christmas Open House and Viewing of Lights

Arthur Bowring Sandhills Ranch SHP Christmas greetings with refreshments, movie and light display. 6-9pm, Park entry permit Diane Burress (308) 684-3428

Dec 17-20

North Platte, Lincoln County

Christmas at the Cody's

Buffalo Bill's Scout's Rest Ranch, N. Buffalo Ave
Buffalo Bill's home is decorated for the holidays. Hot cider, roasted chestnuts, music of the season, horse drawn rides and visits from Santa. \$4/vehicle (308) 535-8035 www.visitnorthplatte.com

Dec 18-23

Gering, Scotts Bluff County

Holiday Light Viewing from Scotts Bluff National Monument

Scotts Bluff National Monument 4:30-9pm, Free
Mark Davison (308) 436-9700 www.nps.gov/scbl

Dec 26

Harrison, Sioux County

Boxing Day Open House

Agate Fossil Beds National Monument, 301 River Rd
Reminiscent of the gatherings of James Cook's granddaughter hosted at the Agate Springs Ranch House. Enjoy refreshments, music and socializing. 1-3:30pm, Free Lil Mansfield (308) 436-9772
www.nps.gov/agfo

Dec 31

Omaha, Douglas County

First Night of Play

Omaha Children's Museum, 500 S. 20th St
Ring in the New Year with games, food, special crafts and the New Year count down and bubble wrap stomp. 6-8:30pm (402) 342-6164 www.ocm.org